

A meeting of the Council was
held at 22 York Place on the
evening of Tuesday 20th April
1915 at 8 p.m.

Present.

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr William Cowan	D ^r . Ross
Rev. H. Paton	Mr Robbie	Mr Cochrane
Mr Russell	Mr Wiekie	Mr Whitson
Mr Mackenzie		

Mr Moir Bryce occupied the Chair.

An apology for absence was intimated from
Sheriff Guy.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council on 21st January
was read and approved.

The Treasurer reported that he had £400 on
Deposit Receipt, £141:12:4^d in hand and subscrip-
tions were outstanding to the amount of £40:19:6^d.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the eight
members whose subscriptions are in arrear for two
years, that if the same were not paid within ten
days.

days their names would be taken off the roll.

Mrs Murdoch, St. Kilda, York Road, was elected a member in room of her late husband Lieut: Colonel James Murdoch.

The applications for membership were submitted, and there being nine vacancies, the following were elected members:

Sheriff Scott-Moncrieff.

Mr William Macvey.

Mr Robert A. Robertson.

Dr. Oliver John Brock.

Mr James W. Kinnou Macclark.

Mr Duncan MacLaren S. S. C.

Mr Joseph Laing Waugh.

Mr Percy R. Stevenson.

~~Mr James Cochran~~

The Secretary reported that 369 copies of the Book of the Club for 1913 had been printed and disposed of as follows:

Members 324

Libraries 23

Presentation 6

Review 7

In hand 9

369

A letter dated 17th March was read from Mr Harold Cox thanking the Club for the copy of Volume VI. of the publications of the Club sent to him.

On consideration of a letter dated 11th February from the National Library of Wales requesting that the publications of the Club should be sent to the Library, the Council regretted that they could not see their way to grant the request.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee for 1915:

Mr Cowan, (Convener)

Mr Moir Bryce

Dr. Blaikie

Rev. Mr Paton

Mr Rouanes, and

Mr Cochrane

It was remitted to Dr. Ross, Mr Russell and the Secretary to arrange for walks during the summer.

Mr Cowan reported that progress was being made with the Book of the Club for 1914 and it was remitted to the President, Mr Moir Bryce, to arrange regarding.

regarding the number of copies to be given to
our beles.

Wm. Mow. Boyer

A meeting of the Council was held at 22 York Place on the evening of Thursday 28th October 1915 at 8 p. m.

Present:

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr William Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr Romanes	Mr Inglis	Sheriff Gory
Mr Cochrane	Mr Russell	Mr Whiston
	Mr MacKitchie.	

Mr Moir Bryce occupied the chair.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Blane, Rev. Mr Paton and Mr Wilkie.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council on 20th April last was read and approved.

The Treasurer reported that he had £425 on Deposit Receipt and £14:18:4 in hand. He also mentioned that there were 23 members whose subscriptions were in arrear for one year ^{and} for two years.

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The death of Mr Archibald Hewat, F.F.A., F.R.S.E.,
13 Eton Terrace, was reported.

The following resignations were intimated:-

1. Mr Robert Home, as at 31st December last, and
2. Mr Andrew G. Murray, as at 31st December next.

The applications for membership were submitted, and there being two vacancies, the following were elected members:-

1. The Rt. Hon. Lord Strathclyde, Lord President of the Court of Session.
2. Dr. A. Fergus Hewat, 3 Warranway Street.

It was reported that Lord Ruthven had, at the request of the President, placed in the Banqueting Hall of Edinburgh Castle, the Commission superscribed by King Charles First, and the Warrant of the Privy Seal appointing Sir Patrick Ruthven otherwise Lord Ruthven of Ettrick and afterwards Earl of Brentford, Captain and Governor of Edinburgh Castle.

It was also reported that the President had brought the question of the erroneous dates of the deaths of King Malcolm III and Queen Margaret inserted.

inserted in the windows of St. Margaret's Chapel; the poverty of the stained glass and the usurping of the window of the apse by a private memorial to the notice of Sir John Stirling Maxwell, the official adviser to the Royal Commission on Ancient Monuments in Scotland, as well as to the Cockburn Association. The latter, inspired by Professor Baldwin Brown, have pushed the question with the authorities in London and raised a subscription to provide new stained glass windows to be furnished by Mr Strachan, the great Edinburgh artist in stained glass.

On consideration of a letter dated 29th May last from Mr James K. Brown suggesting that provision should be made in the Rules for life as well as annual membership, the Council could not see their way at present to adopt the suggestion.

It was reported that at the meeting of the Club on 19th July last the sum of £5: 14/- had been collected towards the Lord Provost's Fund for providing "comforts" for the Royal Scots, and a letter dated/

dated 22nd July from the Lord Provost acknowledging the money, was submitted.

Mr bowan reported that Mr Beles had promised to finish his introduction to the Book of the Club for 1914 in the course of next month.

The papers for the Book of the Club for 1915 were gone over and discussed and it was remitted to Mr bowan to have the Book arranged.

Wm Mow Boyd Pres.—

A Meeting of the Council was held at 22 York Place, on the evening of Friday 14th January 1916 at 8 p.m.

Present:

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr William Cowan	Dr Ross
Rev. Henry Paton	Mr J. G. Robb	Mr Lochrane
Mr Russell	Mr Wilkie	Mr Whitton.
Mr Lewis A. MacKitchie.		

Mr Moir Bryce occupied the Chair.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr H. J. Blanc and Mr Oldrieve.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council on 28th October last was read and approved.

The death of the following Members was reported:-

Mr Arthur Sanderson and
Mr James R. Brown.

The Applications for Membership were submitted/

submitted and there being eight vacancies,
the following were elected Members:-

Mr William B. Ross

Mr J. H. Foulis

Mr George H. Elliot

Mr James Wilson Ross

Mrs Christie

Mr John Rutherford.

Mr David Brombie

Mr James Highgate.

The Secretary submitted his Report for the
past year and the same was approved.

The Treasurer submitted the Financial
Statement to 31st December last and the same
was approved.

It was agreed that the Reports of the
Secretary and Treasurer should be printed
and issued to the Members with the Billet
calling the Annual General Meeting.

Mr Bowman reported that Mr Geles had
now completed his Introduction to the Book
of the Club for 1914 and that the Volume was
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in the Printer's hands. He also reported that the Book of the Club for 1915 would contain the following articles:-

The Defence of Edinburgh in 1745, by Dr Blair.

The Visitation of the College of Edinburgh in 1690, by Mr R. K. Hannay.

Extracts from the Records of the Tolbooth (continued) by Mr J. A. Fairley.

John Wesley in Edinburgh, by Mr W. Forbes Gray.

The Magdalene Chapel, by Prof. Baldwin Brown.

It was mentioned that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on 27th inst. at 4 p.m. and that Mr Moir Bryce would preside.

It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Members at the Annual Meeting that Mr Moir Bryce be appointed President for 1916.

Done

Wm Moir Bryce

A Meeting of the Council was
held at 22 York Place, Edinburgh
on the evening of Thursday
27th April, 1916, at 8 p.m.

Present:-

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr William Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr J. G. Robb	Mr W. I. Christie	Sheriff Gung
Mr Robert Lochrane	Mr Russell	Mr Wilkie
Prof. Baldwin Brown	Mr Mears	Mr Whitson
Mr Lewis N. MacKintosh		

Mr Moir Bryce occupied the chair.

An apology for absence was intimated
from Dr Blair.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council on
14th January last was read and approved.

The President (Mr W. Moir Bryce) referred in
kind and sympathetic terms to the great loss
the Club had sustained through the death of
Mr W. Matthews Gilbert, who was a member of
Council.

council. Through his genial and kindly disposition, Mr Gilbert had endeared himself not only to the members of the club, but to a large circle of friends. Indeed, it may be said that he was on terms of personal friendship with most of our leading citizens, by whom he was held in high estimation. In his profession his activities were many, but he excelled in his knowledge and love for art as well as in the history and antiquities of our city. He took a great and deep interest in the affairs of the club, and he favoured us with his presence, and reported our meetings with ardour. Thereafter the President moved that a resolution expressive of the council's feelings of loss at his death and of sincere sympathy with Mrs Gilbert and her family, be engrossed in the Minutes and that an excerpt be sent to Mrs Gilbert.

The death of the following members was reported, viz:

Mr Walter J. Anderson

Mr James Bruce, W. S.

Mr/

Rev. R. W. Russell Findlay
Dr Charles H. Fox and
Mr James Lyle.

The following resignations were intimated, viz:-

Miss Agnes Davidson

Mr James Wright.

The applications for membership were submitted, and there being eight vacancies, the following were elected members:-

Mr J. Wilson Paterson, A. R. S. S. A.

Mrs Logan Calder.

Mr James C. Stevens, S.S.B.

Mr Thomas A. Leistman, H. M. S. S.

Mr J. Lamb Smith, S.S.B.

Mr George A. Morton.

Mr Henry F. Kerr, Architect.

Mr James Bruce, W. S.

It was agreed to ask Mr John Geddie to take the place of the late Mr Gilbert as a Member of Council.

Mr William Cowan reported that the Book of the Club for 1914 was now printed and would be

be placed in the hands of the Binders next week. He mentioned that the President had written to Their Majesties, who had been graciously pleased to allow the Book of the Club for 1914 to be dedicated to them. The following is a copy of the letter.

22 York Place.

Edinburgh. 3rd March 1916.

My Lord,

Perhaps your Lordship will remember that their Majesties on the occasion of their visit to Edinburgh in July 1914 took some interest in the Ancient Service Book of the Abbey of Holyrood which is in my possession, and on the 13th July by command of Their Majesties the Book was sent down to the Palace for their inspection.

The Manuscript is the only relic of its kind relating to the Abbey of Holyrood now extant, and under the auspices of the Old Edinburgh Club, of which I happen to be the President, has now been transcribed and edited by Mr Francis B. Geles, the great Scottish liturgical scholar.

scholar. Knowing the great interest of Their
Majesties in Holyrood, the Members of the Club
kindly beg for permission to dedicate the Volume
to Their Majesties. The Volume is now ready for
issue.

I have the honour to be
Your Lordship's obedient and humble servant.
(Signed) W^m Moir Bryce.

The Right Honourable
The Lord Stamfordham,
Private Secretary to His Majesty The King,
Buckingham Palace,
London.

Buckingham Palace.
7th March 1916.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 3rd inst., the King
has much pleasure in acceding to the request
of the members of the Old Edinburgh Club for
permission

permission to dedicate to Their Majesties the
edition of the Ancient Service Book of the
Abbey of Holyrood, which has recently been
produced by Mr Francis B. Seles.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Stamfordham.

William Moir Bryce, Esq.,

President Old Edinburgh Club.

Mr William Cowan also mentioned that
progress was being made with the Book for 1915.

The following were appointed the Editorial
Committee for 1916:-

Mr William Cowan, Convenor.

Mr Moir Bryce

Dr Blairkie.

Mr Lochrane

Prof. Baldwin Brown and

Sheriff Guy.

It was remitted to Dr Ross, Mr Russell, Mr
Wilkie and the Secretary to arrange for walks
during/

during the summer.

Wm Montjoye

A Meeting of the Council was held at 22 York Place, Edinburgh, on the afternoon of Thursday 26th October 1916, at 4 o'clock.

Present:

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr William Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr J. C. Robbie	Sheriff Guy	Mr Robt. Cochrane
Mr Wilkie	Mr Whitson	Mr Mackenzie.

Mr Moir Bryce presided.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council on 27th April last, was read and approved.

A letter dated 10th May from Mrs Gilbert, was read, thanking the Council for their letter of sympathy on the death of her husband, Mr W. Matthews Gilbert.

A letter dated 28th April from Mr John Geddie, was read, agreeing to act as a member of Council in room of the late Mr Matthews Gilbert.

The/

The following letter from the Right Hon.
The Lord Stamfordham, Private Secretary to His
Majesty, The King, was read.

Buckingham Palace.

16th June 1916.

Dear Sir,

I have received and laid before the King
and Queen, the copies of the Book of the Old
Edinburgh Club for 1914, being the reproduction
of the Ancient Service Book of the Abbey of Holy-
rood.

Their Majesties are grateful to the members
of the Club for this work, containing so much
of interest connected with the past history of
Holyrood and the early Liturgy of Scotland.

Believe me,

Yours very faithfully,

(Signed) Stamfordham.

Lewis A. Mackenzie, Esq.,

Honorary Secretary,

Old Edinburgh Club.

The death of the following Members was reported:-

Mr James R. Browne

Mr J. B. Sutherland, Esq.

Mr William Scott Wilson and

Miss Yule.

The following resignations were intimated:-

Mr Alexander Mill

Miss J. S. Muir

Mr John C. Murray

Mr Adam Smal

The applications for membership were submitted and there being five vacancies, the following were elected Members:-

Mr F. MacQueen Douglas, F.R.S.E.

Mr Robert Aitken.

Dr Robert Donaldson

Miss Low and

Mr John D. Robertson.

A letter dated 20th June last from the Hon. Secretary of the Glasgow Archaeological Society, enquiring if the Club would exchange publications with/

with that Society, was submitted. Having in view that the Club do not have rooms or a library, the Council regretted that they could not see their way to exchange publications, but would be prepared to receive the Society as a subscribing library under Rule X.

The Secretary reported that 386 copies of the Book of the Club for 1914 had been printed and disposed of as follows:-

Their Majesties	2
Members	350
Libraries	22
Review Copies	4
Presentation Copies	5
On hand.	3
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In addition, 100 copies of the Ordinale had been given to Mr Francis C. Beles, and 20 copies to Mr Moir Boyce.

The Treasurer reported that he had £600 on deposit Receipt and £25 on hand.

Messrs J. & A. Constables Accounts:-

1. For Book of Club for 1914 £209: 11: 5
2. General printing and postages — 7: 14: 10
- £217: 4: 3

were passed for payment.

Mr. Cowan reported the position of matters regarding the Book of the Club for 1915. After remarks by several of the Members of Council it was agreed that on and after 1st December next the papers then available, should be printed and the Book issued to the Members as soon as possible.

Wm. Mowbray

A meeting of Council was
held at 22 York Place on
the afternoon of Thursday
18th January 1917 at 4
o'clock

Present

Mr. John Bryce. Mr. Cowan Dr. Ross
Mr. J. C. Robb Mr. Russell Mr. Whitehead
Mr. MacRae

An apology for absence
was submitted from Mr. Willie

The Minute of meeting
of the Council on 26th October last
was read and approved.

Mr. William Cowan reported
that in terms of instructions at the
meeting of Council on 26th October
last. The Book of the Club for 1915
had been printed and would be ready
for distribution in the course of
next week.

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The Secretary submitted his Report for the past year and the same was approved.

The Treasurer submitted the Financial Statement to 31st December last and the same was approved.

It was agreed that the Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer be printed and issued to the members with the Bill calling the Annual General Meeting.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being five vacancies the following were elected members viz

Mr Charles Thross

Mr Laurance A Robertson

Mr Joseph Park

Mr William Marshall

Mr Norman M. Thompson

A letter dated 20th December last from the Secretary of
the

The Western Association asked the Council to advise in opposing the overhead tramway in Edinburgh, was submitted. It was agreed in this connection to let the matter lie on the table.

A letter, dated 21st December last, from Mr John Hamilton, C.A. suggesting that the Club should suspend its work until the close of the war was considered. In view however of the present conditions of the Club the Council did not think this necessary.

On the motion of Mr William Cowan it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the members at the annual general meeting that Mr William Lewis Bryce should be appointed President for 1917 and that Mr Robert J. Skinner be appointed as Vice President in room of Mr Appleby.

L.

J. Blane.

It was mentioned that
the annual meeting of the Club
would be held in the Old Council
Chamber on 31st inst at 4 P.M.,
and that Mr. Lewis Boyce would pre-
side.

Wm. Lewis Boyce

A meeting of the Council was held at 22 York Place on the evening of Thursday 26th April 1917 at 8 o'clock.

Present: -

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr Skinner	Mr Cochrane	Mr Russell
Mr Baird	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr MacKitchie

Mr Moir Bryce presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Wilkie, Mr Green and Mr Whitson.

The minute of meeting of the Council on 18th January last was read and approved.

The death of the following members was reported: -

Mr Hippolyte J. Blanc, R. S. A.

Mr John Grant and

Mr John Telfer Kay.

The following resignations were intimated: -

Mr Thomas Dick, S. S. C.

Miss /

Miss Alice Thomson

The applications for membership were submitted and there being five vacancies the following were elected members:-

Mr S. P. Sinclair, B.A.

Mr W. Hume Kerr, M.A., B.Sc.

Mr R. Addison Smith, S.S.C.

Miss Eunice Guthrie Murray and
Mr Robert Grant

The Secretary reported that 384 copies of the Book of the Club for 1915 had been printed and disposed of as follows:-

Members	349
Libraries	22
Presentation copies	6
Review copies	4
On hand	3
	<u>384</u>

The Council did not see their way to grant an application by Mr William Harvey of the Dundee Advertiser for copies of Volumes 7 and 8 of the Club's publications for review.

The/

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee for 1917:-

Mr William Bowman (Convener).

Mr Moir Bryce.

Mr Cochrane.

Prof. Baldwin Brown.

Mr Baird and

Mr Forbes Gray.

It was remitted to Dr Ross, Mr Russell, Mr Wilkie, Mr Skinner and the Secretary to arrange for walks during the session.

Some conversation took place regarding the Book of the Club for 1916, and it was agreed to adhere to the intimation made to the members in the Annual Report that the Book should contain articles by the President on the Burgh Muir, and on the Ancient Celtic Regalia of Scotland also, an article on Old Edinburgh Engravers by Sheriff Guy.

Wm Moir Bryce

A meeting of the Council was held
at 22 York Place on the evening
of Thursday 25th October 1914 at 8 p.m.

Present:-

M ^r Moir Bryce	M ^r Cowan	Dr Ross
M ^r R. J. Skinner	Prof. Baldwin Brown	M ^r W. Forbes Gray
M ^r J. B. Whitson	M ^r Lewis A. MacKitchie.	

M^r Moir Bryce presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from M^r
Baird and M^r Cochrane.

The minute of meeting of the Council on 26th
April last was read and approved.

The death of the following members was reported:-

M^r Horatio Bonar

M^r W. A. Macfarlane-Grieve

M^r George A. Morton

Dr A. V. Scougal

Dr Russell C. Wood.

Sheriff James G. Millar.

The/

The following resignations were intimated:-

Dr Hope Grant

Mr Andrew Grierson

Mr John Hamilton

Mr Allan Reid

Mr J. C. Smith

The applications for membership were submitted and there being nine vacancies the following were elected members:-

Mr John J. Bonar

Mr J. Jarvie Purves

Mr John Bowers

Dr Charles Crawshaw

Mr James Hamilton

Mr Joseph J. Walker

Mr Robertson

Mr Robert Wilson

Mr J. Manners Romanes

It was agreed to ask Mr W. Glassford Walker, B.A., to act as Honorary Auditor of the Treasurer's accounts in room of Mr John Hamilton, B.A., resigned.

Mr/

Mr William Cowan reported that the Editorial Committee recommend that Mr Moir Bryce's paper on the Burgh Muir should form the book of the Club for 1916 and this was agreed to. Some conversation took place regarding the Book of the Club for 1917 and the Editorial Committee were instructed to have it proceeded with.

Prof. Baldwin Brown agreed to give a lecture to the members on the evening of Friday 7th December and the Secretary was instructed to apply to the Royal Society of Edinburgh for the use of their Lecture Hall on that evening.

Wm Moir Bryce President

A meeting of the Council was held
at 22 York Place on the evening of
Monday, 14th January, 1918 at 8 p.m.

Present :-

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr R. J. Skinner	Mr Russell	Prof. Baldwin Brown
Mr Baird	Mr W. Forbes Gray	Mr J. B. Whitson
Mr L. A. MacKitchie.		

Mr Moir Bryce presided.

An apology for absence was intimated from
Mr Campbell.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on
25th October last was read and approved.

It was reported that Mr W. S. Walker, B.A.,
was unable to undertake the duties as Hon. Auditor
and that Mr W. Melville Sym, B.A., had agreed
to do so. This was approved.

The President mentioned that he had under-
estimated the amount of investigation required in
connection/

connection with his article on the Burgh mair
and that he would not be able to have it ready
for the 1916 volume. The Council decided that
this article should be postponed to form the
volume for 1917 and that every endeavour should
be made to hasten the completion of several
articles which were in hand so that they might
be issued in the 1916 volume instead of that for
1917 as originally intended.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting
of the Club would be held in the Old Council
chamber on the afternoon of Thursday 31st inst.
at 4 o'clock.

On the motion of the President a vote of
thanks was awarded to Prof. Baldwin Brown for
his lecture on 7th December last.

It was mentioned that Mr Henry H. Kerr
was willing to give a lecture to the members in
February or March and it was remitted to the
secretary to make the arrangements.

Wm Mon Bryce
President

A Meeting of the Council was held at
22 York Place on the evening of
Thursday, 25th April, 1918 at 8 p.m.

Present:-

M ^r Moir Bryce	M ^r Cowan	M ^r Skinner
M ^r Baird	M ^r Forbes Gray	M ^r Robertson.
M ^r Kerr	M ^r Whitson	M ^r MacKitchie

M^r Moir Bryce presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from M^r Green, M^r Macfarlane and M^r Angus.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 14th January was read and approved.

On the motion of M^r William Cowan a very cordial vote of thanks was awarded to M^r Henry F. Kerr for his Lecture on "Old Edinburgh" on 11th March last.

The Secretary was instructed to intimate to M^r Barrett that if his subscriptions for 1917 and 1918 were not paid on or before 1st May next it would be understood that he did not wish to continue his membership.

The/

The applications for membership were submitted and there being one vacancy, Mr Roderick Mc Donald, "braigforth", Primrose Terrace, was elected a member.

It was reported that the Book of the Club for 1916 was printed and would be ready for distribution on an early date. The Secretary was instructed to send copies for review to the "Scotsman", "Glasgow Herald" and "Scottish Historical Review".

Mr Bowan reported that in view of the increased cost of paper and on the recommendation of Messrs J. & A. Constable a supply of paper for the 1917 volume had been purchased at a cost of £62.10:- and that the paper was in the custody of Messrs Constable and insured against fire etc. The report was approved.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee for 1918:-

Mr William Bowan, Convener

Mr Moor Bryce

Prof. Baldwin Brown

Mr Baird and

Mr Forbes Gray

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It was remitted to Mr Skinner and the
secretary to arrange for walks during the session.

Will Conary.

A meeting of the Council
was held at 22 York
Place on the evening of
Thursday 21st October
1918 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan. Mr Balchman. Mr Baird
Mr Forbes Gray. Mr Kerr. Mr Whitson
Mr MacFarlane

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were
submitted from Mr John Bryer. Mr
Campbell and Mr Robertson

The minutes of meeting of
the Council held on 25th April last
was read and approved.

The Secretary reported that
Mr J. A. L. Barnett had failed to
pay his subscriptions for 1917 and
1918 and that Mr Charles F. H. H. H.
have

had been elected in his place. The report was approved.

The details of the township members were reported.

Mr James Gray.

Mr W Ross Cooper

Mr George Inglis

Mr James Levenston.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being one vacancy Mr Renewal Waugh was elected a member.

The Secretary reported that 385 copies of the Book of the Club for 1916 had been printed and disposed of as follows.

Members	350
Librarians	23
Presentation copies	5
Review copies	3
In stock	4
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	385
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Mr	

Mr. Curran mentioned that the President's Article on the Barge River was approaching completion and that Dr. Blewett had suggested that in view of the increased cost of paper, printing &c. and as the article will make a volume larger than any of those already issued it should form the issues for the years 1917 and 1918. The Council approved of the suggestion.

Wm. Moss Boyer, President

A Meeting of the Council was
held at 22 York Place on the
evening of Thursday 16 January
1919 at 8 o'clock.

Present

Mr Moir Bryce Mr Cowan Mr Skinner
Mr Baird Mr Forbes Gray Mr Robertson
Mr Whitson Mr MacRitchie

Mr Moir Bryce presided
Apologies for absence were intimated from
Mr W.W. Macfarlane and Mr Charles E. Green.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 31st
October last was read and approved.

The deaths of the following members were reported

Sir H. Mitchell Thomson

Prof. Anne Brown

Sheriff Crawford.

The applications for membership were submitted
and there being six vacancies the following were elected
members.

Mr D A Clapperton

Mr David Williamson

Miss Bruce

Mr J. Ferguson, Reece

Mr W. Kenloch Allan

Mr R. K. Hannay

The Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer were submitted and approved and ordered to be printed and issued to the members with the Billet calling the Annual General Meeting

on the motion of Mr Bowman it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual General Meeting that Mr William Moir Bryce should be appointed President for 1919.

It was mentioned that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on Thursday 30th inst at 4 o'clock and it was agreed to ask Sir James Balfour Paul to preside.

Wm Moir Bryce President

A Meeting of the Council
was held at 22 York
Place on the evening
of Thursday 24th April, 1919
at 8 o'clock.

Present:-

Mr Moir Bryce	Mr Cowan	Dr Ross
Mr Skinner	Mr Campbell	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Robertson	Mr Robbie	Mr Mac Ritchie

Mr Moir Bryce presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated
from Dr Ewing, Mr Macfarlane, and Mr
Whitson.

The Minute of Meeting of the
Council held on 16th January last was
read and approved.

On the motion of Dr Ross the
Council cordially congratulated the
President on the honour of LL.D. the
University of Edinburgh proposed to
confer

confer upon him.

The applications for membership were submitted and their being nine vacancies the following were elected members:-

Mr J. Macintyre Henry

Mr William A. Fraser

Mr John McDiarmid

Mr C. S. Gardner

Mr W. J. Henderson

Miss Wedderburn

Mr Martin Anderson

Sir John R. Findlay

Mr Daniel Macniven

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee for 1919:-

Mr William Cowan, Convener

Mr Moir Bryce

Mr Kerr

Mr Baird and

Mr Forbes Gray

It was remitted to Mr Skinner, Mr Forbes Gray and the Secretary to arrange for/

for walks during the summer.

Mr Bowan reported that the Book of the Club for 1917 and 1918 was now in type and it was hoped that it would be ready to be issued to the members in June next.

It was agreed to take no action in connection with a letter from the Cockburn Association on the question of the electrification of the tramway system.

It was remitted to Mr Bowan and Mr Kerr to arrange with Messrs Bartholomew for the preparation of Mr Kerr's map. Reference was made to several papers for the 1919 Book and it was remitted to Mr Bowan to arrange.

A general conversation took place in connection with the safeguarding of the old town houses but no definite decision was come to in connection with the matter meantime.

Will Bowan

A meeting of the Council
was held in Dorell's Rooms
18 George Street on the evening
of Tuesday 28th October 1919
at 8.0. clock.

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Keenan
Mr Baird	Mr Angus	Mr Kerr
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Fairley	Mr Robb
Mr Macfarlane		

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were
intimated from Dr. Ewing and Mr
Whitson

The minutes of meeting of the
Council held on 24th April last was
read and approved.

Mr Cowan referred in feeling
terms to the great loss the Club had
sustained through the death of the
President Dr. H. Lewis Bryce, and on his
motion

motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

The Council desire to record their sense of the great loss the Club has sustained in the death of the President Dr. Louis Bryer. Dr. Bryer became a member of the Club at its foundation in 1908. He was elected a member of Council in 1910, a Vice-President in 1913 and President in 1914. To the Book of the Club for 1909 he contributed articles on the Hadden Hall and on the Greenanthen Mason and the succeeding volumes contain several important and interesting articles from his pen. During the last years of his life he was engaged on the extensive history of the Burph trees which forms the volume recently issued to the members. To all his work for the Club Dr. Bryer gave ungrudgingly both of his time

time and of his great professional knowledge, and his contributions remain as models of careful research and painstaking accuracy. The Council instructed its Secretary to send an extract of this minute to Mr Bryce with an expression of their deep sympathy with her and her daughter in their bereavement.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being four vacancies the following were elected members.

Mr Ross Cooper

John A Train L.L.D.

A H Glegg M. J.

Craigie M. Aitchison, Advoct

It was reported that Vol X of the Book of the Club had been issued as follows

Members 350

Libraries 24

374

Total 374
 Receiv 3
 Presentation 6
 383

On behalf of the Treasurer.
 the Secretary reported that the funds
 of the Club at present consisted
 of

On Deposit Receipt £575.00
 In Treasurer's hands 53.6.7
 £628.6.7

The Treasurer was instructed
 to pay the following accounts.

for Vol. X

To a Constable, Trucking. £349.6.0

Bartholomew's Son. for Map 25

£374.6.

General. To a Constable 18 7.8

£392.13.8

A letter was submitted from
 Mr James D Richardson, Secretary to
 the Board of Works stating that
 the

The Chairman of the Bazaar had a meeting with the Lord Provost and Burgh Engineers regarding the Old Town properties and that the matter would be dealt with in due course.

Mr H. J. Kerr submitted an estimate of Messrs Bartholomew & Son for the preparation of his map amounting to £42.00. and the same was approved.

Possible articles for the Burs of the Club for 1919 were mentioned and it was resolved to Mr Cowan to proceed.

It was agreed to accept an invitation of the Edinburgh Architectural Association to a lecture of Mr Henry J. Kerr on 'Old Edinburgh and some of its Buildings' in the College of Art on 27th November.

Will Cowan

A Meeting of the Council
was held at 5 St. Andrew
Square on the evening of
Tuesday 23rd December 1919
at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Cowan.	Mr Baird	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Angus.	Mr Kerr	Mr Robertson
Dr Harrison	Dr Ewing	Mr Fairley
Mr Robbie.	Mr Whitson.	Mr Mackitchie

Mr Cowan presided.

An apology for absence was
intimated from Mr Skinner.

The Minute of Meeting of the
Council held on 28th October last was
read and approved.

The Scheme at present under the
consideration of the Town Council for
dealing with many of the buildings
in the Old Town certified as unfit
for

for occupation was placed before the
Council. The Council ^{while} ~~which~~ appreciating
the necessity which has arisen for
dealing with said slum properties and
recognising that the health of the
inhabitants must always be a primary
consideration ^{are} ~~and~~ most anxious that
every care should be taken to preserve
not only buildings possessing interesting
historical associations but also ^{those} ~~which~~
exhibit the architectural characteristics
of past periods of our national history
and ^{the Council} ~~are~~ are convinced that the entire
disappearance of these would be an
irreparable loss in depriving the Old
Town of these features which still
render it an object of interest both to
the citizens themselves and to the large
number of visitors to the city. It was
remitted to Mr. Cowan, Dr. Harrison and
Mr. Kerr to prepare a Representation to be
submitted to the Town Council on the
subject.

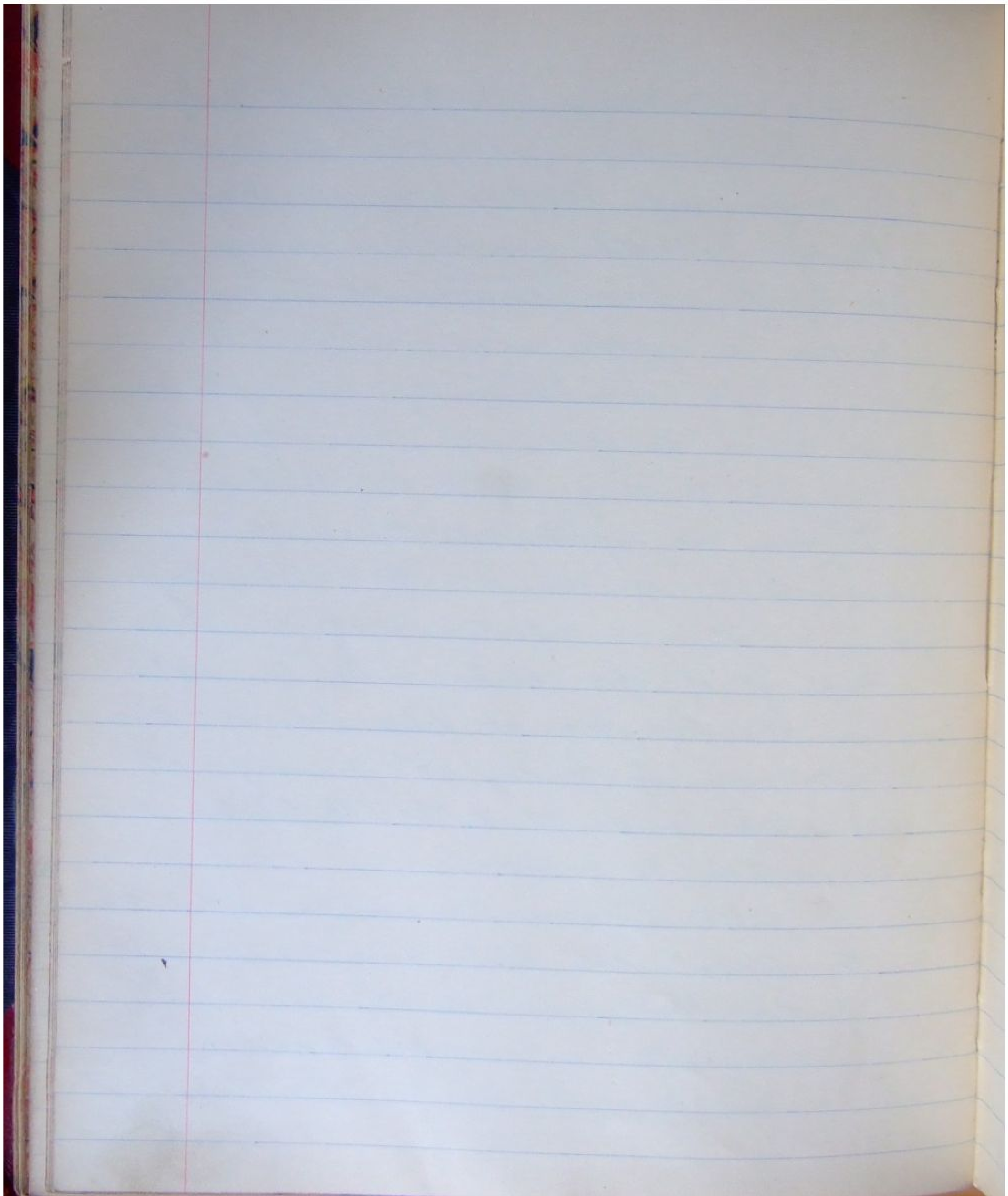
Mr Cowan reported that progress was being made with the Book of the Club for 1919. Mr Kerr's map and Mr Fairley's Tollbooth records were ready - and Dr Blaikie had ~~proceeded~~^{promised} to have his paper completed on an early date.

It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual Meeting that Mr William Cowan be appointed President in succession to the late Dr W. Moir Bryce.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on the afternoon of Friday 30th January at 4 o'clock and that Dr W. B. Blaikie had consented to preside.

Mr William Cowan was appointed to represent the Club on the Council of the Cockburn Association.

Bill Cowan



A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday, 27th April, 1920, at 8. o'clock.

Present

Mr. Cowan;	Dr. Ross;	Mr. Skinner;
Mr. Fairley;	Mr. Jamieson;	Rev. Mr. Burnett;
Mr. Whitson.		

Mr. Cowan presided.

An apology for absence was intimated from the Secretary.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 23rd December last, was read and approved.

A copy of the Representation submitted to the Town Council regarding the safe-guarding of the Old Town properties was laid on the table.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being fourteen vacancies, the following were admitted members:-

Mr. Charles A. Malcolm

Mr. J. H. Allan

Mr. J. Eggeling

Mr. William White

Mr. James C. Scott

Mr. Walter Oliphant, S.S.C.

Mr. Charles Milne

Mr. Young J. Kentland

Mr. W. B. Melrose

Miss Bruce

Mr. Andrew C. Tait, M.A.

Mr. C. R. Cook

Mr. J. Pittendrigh Macgillivray LL.D., R.S.S.

Mr. A. D. Brickton.

Owing to the increased cost of printing it was resolved that the Volume which is at present in the Press should form the Book of the Club for 1919 and 1920 and that the fourteen new members admitted at this meeting should be asked to pay a first subscription of 2/-.

It was reported that the following meetings during the summer had been arranged.

1. Hermitage of Braid on 8th May
2. St. Guthbert's Churchyard on 12th June
3. Pilrig House on 10th July

It was mentioned that Mr. F. C. Mears was willing to give a Lecture, and it was agreed to

to ask him to postpone the same till next
winter.

Hillbornay. P.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 26th October 1920 at 8 p.m.

Present

Mr. Cowan	Dr. Ross	Mr. Skinner
Mr. Angus	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Robb
Rev Mr. Burnett	Mr. Russell	Mr. Watson
Mr. Jameson	Mr. MacKitchie	

Mr. Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Dr. Harrison, Mr. Fairley and Mr. Whitson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 24th April last was read and approved.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being eight vacancies the following were elected members.

Mr. William Wilson. Advocate
Mr. John S. Barker
Mr. William Hannah
Mr. James Paterson. C.A.

Mr. William Mill.

Miss M. R. Macleod.

Mr. Neil Macvicar

Mr. George D. Stewart.

Mr. Cowan reported the progress being made with the Book of the Club for 1919-20.

It was reported that Mr. F. C. Meats was willing to give a Lecture and the Secretary was instructed to arrange a meeting to suit the convenience of Mr. Meats.

Some conversation took place as to the desirability of increasing the Annual Subscription to £1:1/- and it was agreed to delay consideration of the matter till after the close of the financial year.

W. Cowan P.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Friday, 14th January 1921, at 8 p.m.

Present

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Russell	Mr. Angus
Mr. Skinner	Mr. Whitson	Rev. Mr. Burnett
Dr. Ewing	Dr. Ross	Mr. Watson
Mr. MacKitchie		

Mr. Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Macfarlane and Mr. Robbie

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 26th October last was read and approved.

The Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer for the year to 31st December last were submitted and approved.

The Council having resumed consideration of the proposal to increase the annual subscription resolved not to recommend any change meantime

Mr. /

Mr. Cowan reported the progress being made with Volume XI of the Book of the Club and it was agreed that in future the publications of the Club should not be ascribed to any particular year, but should be issued when funds and material are available to the Members on the Roll at the date of publication.

It was agreed to recommend to the Members at the Annual Meeting that Mr. William Cowan be elected President for next session.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on the afternoon of 28th Oct., at 4 o'clock.

Will Cowan

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Thursday, 28th April 1921, at 8 o'clock.

Present

Mr. Cowan	Dr. Ross	Prof. Hannay
Mr. Forbes Gray	Mr. Hume Kerr	Mr. Whitson
Mr. MacKitchie		

Mr. Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Skinner and Mr. Watson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 14th January last was read and approved.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being eight vacancies the following were elected members, viz:-

Mr. Donald Macrae.
Mrs. Helen M. Brydon.
Mr. John L. Boyd.
Dr. John Morrison Thomson.
Lieut. Col. F. W. Moore.

Mrs. Jean C. Cunningham.

Mr. J. H. Murray.

Lady Dobbie.

Mr. Cowan reported that no further progress had been made with Volume XI of the Book of the Club, owing to Dr. W. B. Laikie not having completed his paper on "The Defence of Edinburgh during 1745." The Secretary was instructed to write Dr. Laikie urging him to have the paper ready for press on an early date.

Thomas Ross,

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Thursday, 24th October 1921, at 8 p.m.

Present.

Dr. Ross.	Mr. Skinner	Dr. Harrison
Mr. Fairley	Rev. Mr. Burnett	Mr. Russell.
Mr. Boog-Watson	Mr. Jamieson	Prof. Hannay.
Mr. Forbes Gray.	Mr. Hume Kerr.	Mr. Whitson.
Mr. Mackitchie.		

Dr. Ross presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Cowan and Dr. Ewing.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 28th April last was read and approved.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being four vacancies the following were elected members.

Dr. Gerard Leighton
Mr. William Drummond S.S.C.
Mr. W. Cairn Boog Watson

Mr. A. P. Melville, W. S.

The Treasurer reported that four members had not paid their subscriptions for this year, and the Secretary was instructed to intimate to them that if their subscriptions were not paid within ten days their names would be removed from the Roll.

It was mentioned that Dr. Blaikie's article on "The Defence of Edinburgh during 1745" would not be available for Volume XI of the Book of the Club. Dr. Ross indicated that the article on "The Tailors Hall, Bowgate" would be available and Prof. Hannay undertook to have an article on "The Antecedents of the College of Justice." This was agreed to.

Mr. Russell agreed to give a Lecture in December and Mr. Forbes Gray in January.

The Treasurer reported that at this date the funds of the Club were as follows; - ~~he had~~ £500 on Deposit Receipt and £4.11 on hand.

Hillman

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Thursday, 13th January 1922, at 8 o'clock.

Presents

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Ross	Mr. Skinner
Mr. Fairley	Mr. Robbie	Rev. Mr. Burnett
Mr. Watson	Mr. Jamieson	Mr. Forbes Gray
Mr. Hume Kerr	Mr. Mackintosh	

Mr. Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Russell and Mr. Whitson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 24th October last was read and approved.

The deaths of the following members were reported.

Mr. Andrew Elliot	Mr. J. Jarvie Purvis
Mr. J. C. Murdoch	Mr. Thomas B. Greig
Mr. George B. Turnbull	Mr. J. J. Dalgleish
Mr. W. T. Oldrieve	

The applications for Membership were submitted and there being seven vacancies the following were elected/

elected members :-

Mr. Frederick G. Gillespie, B.A.,

Mr. Thomas D. Hunter.

Mr. Hugh Hannah, Solicitor

Mr. J. M. Fisher

Mrs. Fisher.

Mr. Ed. J. H. Oliver

bapt. Jan Batholomew.

The Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer for the year to 31st December last were submitted and approved.

It was agreed to recommend to the Members at the Annual Meeting that Mr. William Cowan be elected President for next Session.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on 24th inst., at 4 o'clock.

Hillman

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Thursday, 27th April 1922, at 8 o'clock.

Present

Mr. Cowan	Mr. Skinner	Rev. Mr. Burnett
Mr. Russell	Prof. Hannay	Mr. Forbes Gray
Mr. Meass	Mr. Sanderson	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Allan	Mr. MacKitchie	

Mr. Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Boag-Watson and Mr. Whitson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 15th January last was read and approved.

The Secretary reported that 392 copies of Vol. XI of the Book of the Club had been printed and disposed of as follows:-

Members	350.
Libraries	24.
Presentation copies	5.
Review copies	3.
In Stock	10.
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	392.

The applications for Membership were submitted, and there being seven vacancies the following were elected members.

Mr. W. Davidson.

Mr. Kenneth Whetton

Miss Margaret J. Inglis

Mrs. Greig

Dr. Naismyth

Mr. J. W. Williamson.

Mr. James S. Richardson.

It was agreed to give a copy of Vol. XI of the Book of the Club to Dr. Pittendrigh Macgillivray.

It was also agreed to present a copy of Vol. XI to the Incorporation of Tailors.

Possible articles for Vol. XII of the Book of the Club were discussed and instructions given in connection therewith.

It was reported that the following meetings during the summer had been arranged

Moray House on 6th May.
Woodhouselee /

Woodhouselee on 10th June.
Dalton Burying Grounds on 1st July.
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A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street
on the evening of Monday,
30th October 1922, at 8 p.m.

Present.

Mt. Cowan	Gt. Ross.	Mt. Skinner
Rev. Mt. Burnett	Mt. Hoog Watson	Mt. Jamieson
Prof. Hannay.	Mt. Forbes Gray.	Mt. Hume Kett.
Mt. Meats.	Mt. Sanderson.	Mt. Wilson.
Mt. Allan.	Mt. Mackitchie	

Mt. Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from
Mt. Russell and Mt. Whitson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on
24th April last was read and approved.

A letter was read from Mt. Andrew Wishart,
W. S., Clerk of The Incorporation of Tailors, thanking
the Council for the copy of Vol. XI of the publications
of the Club presented to the Incorporation.

The applications for membership were
submitted.

submitted and there being six vacancies the following were elected members

Mr. John W. Burnside

Dr. Macrae Taylor

Dr. Charles M. Neil

Mr. John Glover, W.S.,

Mr. William Anderson.

Mr. David Lee.

The proposed papers for Vol. XII of the publications of the Club were discussed and instructions given in connection therewith.

There was submitted a letter from the Honorary Secretary of Edinburgh Architectural Association suggesting that as many of the members of the Association are also members of the Club, a joint meeting might be arranged during the summer. The Council approved of the suggestion and remitted to Mr. Cowan and Mr. Skinner to arrange a joint meeting.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street
on the evening of Thursday,
18th January 1923, at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr. Cowan.	Rev. Mr. Burnett	Mr. Watson
Prof. Hannay.	Mr. Forbes Gray.	Mr. Whitson.
Mr. Mackenzie.		

Mr. Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from
Dr. Ross, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Meats, and Mr. Jamieson.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council
held on 30th October last was read and approved.

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being three vacancies, the
following were elected members:-

Mr. James A. Hamilton

Mr. Adam H. Hayne.

Mr. William Hayne.

The reports by the Secretary and Treasurer

for/

for the year to 31st December last were submitted and approved.

It was agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual Meeting that Mr. William Cowan be elected President for next session.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on 31st inst., at 4 o'clock.

A meeting of the Council
was held at 21 Rutland
Street on the evening of
Thursday, 26th April 1923 at
8 o'clock

Present

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Stennel
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Sanderson	Mr Wilson
Mr Allan	Mr Angus	Mr H. J. Kerr
Mr Malcolm	Mr John	Mr Whitson
Mr MacPitche		

Mr Cowan presided

An apology was intimated from
Mr Hume Kerr

The minute of meeting of the
Council held on 18th January last was
read and approved.

It was reported that since last
meeting of the Council the following had
been admitted members of the Club:-

Mr
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Mr Nathaniel Bryson

Mr W Kinloch Anderson

Mr James P Macpherson

Mr Andrew H Dick

This was confirmed.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being one vacancy Miss Jessie D Dean was elected a member.

Mr Cowan reported that Vol XII of the publications of the Club would be issued on early date.

It was reported that the following meetings during the summer have been arranged.

Hutton House

19 May

Parson's House and Canongate

Churchyard

2 June

Parliament House

7 July

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee

Mr Forbes Gray

Convener

Mr James H Shaw

Mr William Angus

A hearty vote of thanks was awarded to Mr Cowan for his services as Convenor of the Editorial Committee since the institution of the club.

The threatened demolition by the Town Council of certain old buildings in Cavendish Row, Gwygate and Grassmarket was brought under the notice of the Council, and it was remitted to Mr Cowan, Dr Ross ~~and~~ Mr Stanner, and Mr Henry J Kerr to prepare a Representation to be submitted to the Town Council on the subject.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Thursday 25th October 1923 at 8 O. clock

Present

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Skene
Prof Stannay	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr James Kerr
Mr Meers	Mr Sanderson	Mr Allan
Mr Angus	Mr H & Kerr	Mr Malcolm
Mr Hume	Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie

Mr Cowan presided

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 26th April last was read and approved.

It was reported that the Special Committee appointed at the meeting of the Council on 26th April last had visited and inspected the old buildings in Candlemaker Row, Cowgate and Grassmarket and that a memorandum had been forwarded to the Town

Town Clerk on the subject. The memorandum was submitted and approved.

The Secretary reported that Mr Hugh Carburns and Mr Andrew Brass had not paid their subscriptions for the current year. As Mr Brass had gone to Africa his name was deleted from the Roll of members and the Secretary was instructed to intimate to Mr Carburns that if his subscription was not paid within fourteen days his name would be removed from the Roll.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being two vacancies the following were elected:-

Mr John Bethune

Miss J B Colville

It was reported that 393 copies of Vol XII of the Book of the Club had been printed and disposed of as follows:-

Members

348

Libraries

	total 348
Libraries	24
Presentation Copies	5
Review	3
In stock	13
	<hr/> 393

In terms of recommendation of the Editorial Committee it was decided that an alphabetical index to the names of Cluses, Hynds & mentioned in the paper by Mr Charles B Bovey Watson should be prepared and issued to the members with the Annual Report.

The papers for Vol XIII were discussed and instructions given to the Editorial Committee in connection therewith.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 8th January 1924 at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Skinner
Prof Hannay	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr H J Kern
Mr Mears	Mr Allan	Mr Whitson

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absences were intimated from Mr Sanderson, Mr Hume Kern and Mr MacRitchie

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 25th October last was read and approved.

The Treasurer reported that Mr Hugh Carbone had failed to pay his subscription for last year and accordingly it was agreed that his name should be removed from the list of members.

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The following deaths and resignations were reported:

Deaths - Mr James Dow
Mr Alexander Brown
Sir Robert R. Simpson
Mr Ross Cooper

Resignations - Miss Joan Brown
Mr Robert Neil Chyrtal

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members

Mr David McAnthy
Mr Charles Campbell
Dowager Countess De la Warr
Dr J Taylor Grant
Mr Hugh Kinghorn
Mr J. P. Marwick

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ended 31st December last were submitted and approved.

The President pointed out that in view of the fact that the new Editor of Publications

tion, Mr Forbes Gray, would, as a member of Council have to retire at this time it would be necessary to alter the constitution of the Club by inserting in Rule 5 after the word "Treasurer", "Editor of Publications" and this being a change of the Rules due notice would require to be given.

Mr Forbes Gray, the Editor of Publications, stated the position with regard to Vol XIII a very large proportion of which was now in print. - After going fully into the matter he said that he saw no reason why the Volume should not be issued in the Spring.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Council Chamber on 30th and at 4 o'clock.

It was agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual Meeting that Mr Cowan be elected President for next Session.

Professor Hannay called attention to the

the correspondence which had recently taken place in the public press with regard to the publication of the Burgh Records and to the motion which Councillor Whitson had moved in this connection at the last meeting of the Town Council. He thought it most desirable that the Edinburgh Burgh Records should be dealt with so that any serious student of history might have access to such data as there were and he moved "that this meeting of the Council heartily supports the proposal to print extracts from the Town Council Records of Edinburgh and earnestly hopes that the Council will recognise the importance of making generally accessible historical material which is of national as well as of local interest and which cannot fail to appeal to Scots everywhere". This was seconded and was unanimously approved and the Secretary was instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Town Clerk.

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Mr Skinner reported that Sir James Balfour Paul had agreed to give a lecture to the members of the Club on the evening of 7th February and Prof. Hannay on the evening of 28th February. Probably both these meetings would be held in the Gairthorn Hall but arrangements would yet have to be made for the fitting of the Hall.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street
on the evening of Wednesday
23rd April 1924 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Ewan	Mr Skinner	Mr Sanderson
Mr Allen	Mr Angus	Mr Kerr
Mr Bonnar	Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie
Mr Forbes Gray		

Mr Ewan presided

Apologies for absence were submitted
from Mr Meas and Mr Robertson

The minute of meeting of the Council
held on 31st January last was read and
approved.

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being seven vacancies
the following were elected members:

Lady Cranston

Mr A Russell Simpson

Mr James Smith

Mr

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Mr D L Lewis

Mr John Quickshank

Mr William Paterson

Mr Thomas Knoblauer

It was mentioned that an application was being made to the Dean of Guild Court by Messrs J R Allan for permission to erect alongside and on the level of the South Bridge a bridge or gangway across the Cowgate to connect their premises on the two sides of the latter street, that the bridge or gangway if erected would completely extinguish the view from the opening of the South Bridge of one of the most characteristic and historically interesting streets of the Old Town, and that it would also involve the destruction of the very fine ornamented railing which borders the Bridge. The Council remitted to Mr Cowan and Mr Whitson to take action against the proposed alteration.

Mr

Mr Forbes Gray, Convenor of the
Editorial Committee, reported probable
papers for Vol XIV of the Club and
it was remitted to the Editorial Com-
mittee to arrange for the contents of
the Volume

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Friday 31st October 1924 at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Cowan	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Sanderson
Mr Angus	Mr Kerr	Mr Malcolm
Mr Hume	Mr Robertson	Mr Watson
Mr Robie	Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Stanner and Mr Mears.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 23rd April last was read and approved.

The Secretary reported the following deaths and resignation

Deaths. Mr Thomas Knoblauch
Mr David Lee
Mr J H Cunningham
Sis
—

Sr P Jeffray Macdonald

Mr James W Ross

Resignation - Mr Mary A Hainsmith

The following members were reported
in areas with their subscriptions for 1924:-

Mr F. G. Gillespie, CA

Mr Alfred A Murray, WT

Dr James Young

and it was agreed that their names should
be removed from the Roll

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being nine vacancies
the following were elected

Mr Albert O Knoblauch

Mr Mary Macdonald

Mr Daniel Cameron

Mr Lamb

Mr J C Brown

Mr J Graham Fairley

Mr George Cuckton

Mr Donald M Matheson

Miss Marcella Forbes

It was agreed to grant an application of the Edinburgh Public Library to be allowed to subscribe for three additional copies of the Book of the Club.

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported that Vol XIV of the Book of the Club was in course of preparation and would probably include the following articles

Huntly House by the President and Members
The Sculptured Stones of the Royal Mile
by Mr Geddie

The Gardens of the Castle of D. Malcolm
Reminiscences of a Town Clerk (James
Lawrie, 1808-61).

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 13th January 1925 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Meay	Mr Allan	Mr Angus
Mr Glen	Mr Macleod	Mr Phin
Mr Watson	Mr Bonnar	Mr Robb
Mr Whitson	Mr MacFitchie	

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Skinner and Mr Sanderson

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 31st October 1924 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported

Deaths:- Mr Duncan McLaren, Esq
Mr Theodore Napier

Resignation

Resignation:- Mr William Mackay

It was reported that the Rev D. Williamson had not paid his subscription for 1924 and it was agreed to remove his name from the Roll.

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected

Mr John Kennedy

Mr Robert Moustougal

Mr John White

Mr J Hunter Brown

The Reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer for the year to 31st December last were submitted and approved

It was agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual Meeting that Mr William Cowan be elected President for next session

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on 29th inst. at 4 o'clock.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 28th April 1925 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Mr Skinner,	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Angus	Mr Kerr	Mr Malcolm
Mr Watson	Mr Borna	Mr Russell
Mr Stewart	Mr W. A. Ross,	Mr MacRitchie

Mr Cowan presided

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr Whitson

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 13th January last was read and approved

The following resignations and deaths were reported:-

Resignations:- Mr James Alexander
Miss J. B. Colville
Mr E. O. Inglis

Deaths:-

Deaths:- Mr Thomas Leishman
Mr John Stewart
Mr Addison Smith Esq.
Rev John Stewart

There was submitted a letter
from Mr John White intimating that he
cannot accept membership of the Club

The applications for membership
were submitted, and there being eight
vacancies the following were elected:-

Mr John A Ross

Mr John Norrie

Sgt Boyd Jameson

Miss Edith F Rice

Mr Bruce Selton Bart

Mr John F Stewart

Miss Marguerite Wood MA

Lieut Col Chilton L Addison Smith

There was submitted a letter,
dated 2nd April from Lieut Col Chilton
L Addison Smith. Hon. Treasurer of the
Naval and Military Veterans' Residence,
Whiteford

Whiteford House and Callander House along with five photographs of early 18th century travel and Plumber Work at the Veterans' Residence. The Secretary was instructed to thank Col Addison Smith for bringing these photographs under the notice of the Council, and to inform him that as the papers for the new Volume are complete, the Council would be pleased at some future date to consider as to producing one or more of the photographs.

Reference was made to the threatened demolition by the Town Council of certain old buildings in the Cowgate and Grassmarket, and it was remitted to Mr Cowan and Mr Whitson to interview the Architect of the Board of Health on the subject.

Mr Forbes Gray reported progress with Vol XIV of the Book of the Club, which he hoped would be issued to members next Autumn. It was remitted to Mr Gray and Mr

Mr Geddie to select the illustrations for
Mr Geddie's paper on the Sculptured Stones
of the Royal Mole

It was agreed to add "The Times"
^{Literary Supplement}
to the list of newspapers for review

It was remitted to Mr Skinner
to arrange for two outings of the club
during the summer.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Tuesday 17th October 1925 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Skene
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Kerr	Mr Malcolm
Mr Watson	Mr Bonnar	Mr Russell
Mr Stewart	Mr W. C. Ross	Mr Macfarlane

Mr Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Angus, Mr Shiu and Mr Whitson

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 28th April 1925 was read and approved.

On application it was agreed to allow Miss Christie to take the place of her mother on the Roll of members.

The Secretary was instructed to intimate to members whose subscriptions were in arrears that their names would be removed.

- moved from the Roll unless their subscriptions were paid within the next fourteen days.

The Convener of the Editorial Committee laid on the table Volume XIV of the Book of the Club, and the Secretary was entrusted to issue the Book to the members as soon as possible. He also reported that progress was being made with Volume XV and that the Book would probably include the following articles:

"Burial Court of Leith" by Mr David Robertson
Depute Town and.

Further statement of the Sculptured Stones
"of the Royal Mile" by Mr John Geddie
"Sanctuary of Holyrood House" by Mr Hugh
Hannah.

It was agreed to give a gratuity of £2.2/- to Mr Wilson's Caretaker for her services to 31st December next and to pay her a gratuity of £1.1/- yearly hereafter.

It was remitted to Mr Skinner to make arrangements for visits to Pinkie House

Horse during the summer.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 12th January 1926 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr Harnes
Mr Angus	Mr Kerr	Mr Malcolm
Mr John	Mr Robertson	Mr Doug Watson
Mr Bonnal	Mr Russell	Mr WCA Ross
Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie	

Mr Cowan presided

An apology for absence was submitted from Mr Paterson.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 27th October 1925 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported:-

Deaths:- Mr George Mackie
Mr Albert O Knobl auch
Mr Reid.

Resignations:- Mr J Hamilton Birrell

Mrs Leslie

Mr George Smith

The applications for membership were submitted and there being six vacancies, the following were elected members:-

Mr Thomas Shurburn

Miss Emily J Jackson

Mr Alexander H Anderson

Miss Alice Thomson

Mr John J Atkinson

Miss Jessie Nicol

The Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ended 31st December last were submitted and approved.

A communication was read from the Institution of Chemical Engineers, London, thanking members of the Club for courtesy and hospitality to its members and to their American colleagues on their visit to Edinburgh during the tour of this country made by the delegation of the American Institute

Institute of Chemical Engineers in July and August 1925.

On the motion of Mr Hannel, it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Annual Meeting of the Club that Mr Cowan be re-elected President.

It was mentioned that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on 27th inst. at 4 o'clock, and it was agreed to ask Dr Blair to preside at the meeting.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Tuesday 27th April 1926 at 8.0. clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Robertson
Mr Robrie	Mr W. C. A. Ross	Miss Wood
Mr Melville	Mr MacRitchie	

Mr Cowan presided

The minutes of meeting of the Council held on 12th January 1926 was read and approved

The death of the following members was reported

Mr George B Latimer

Mr Edward J H Oliver

The applications for membership were submitted and there being two vacancies, the following were elected members viz.

Mr

Mr John Waller, M.A.
Mr Taylor.

A communication, dated 1st April, from the National Library of Wales, applying for a copy of the publications of the Club, was submitted. The Secretary was instructed to inform the Librarian that copies of the publications of the Club could not be supplied gratis to the Library, but that the Library could receive copies on payment of the annual subscription.

Mr Forbes Gray reported the progress being made with Volume XV of the Club.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee

Mr Forbes Gray. Convener.

Mr John Russell

Miss Wood

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Wednesday 27th October 1926 at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Ewan	Dr Ross	Mr Skinner
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Watson	Mr Robie
Mr Russell	Miss Hood	Mr Paton
Mr Hannah	Mr Melville	Mr Whitson
Mr MacRethie		

Mr Ewan presided

Apologies for absences were introduced from Mr James Stewart and Mr J Wilson Paterson.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 27th April 1926 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported:-

Deaths. Mr James Brown
Charles

Charles Campbell
James Ochrane
James Garver
David M. Arthy
Rev S. J. N. Ogilvie
Edward J. H. Oliver
John Rutherford
Mr John Thomson

Resignations. John Anderson
W. Davidson

Thomas D. Hunter
Norman M. Macpherson. H
Colonel A. D. Selton
Rich. Wm. William W. Brown

The Treasurer reported that the following members were in arrears with their subscriptions:-

Mr W. B. Inman
Mr S. L. Means
Mr Hugh Kitchin
Mr Robert A. Robertson

The Secretary was instructed to intimate
to

To these members that if their subscriptions were not paid within fourteen days, their names would be removed from the Roll.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being fifteen vacancies the following were elected members :-

J Wilson McLaren ✓
John Watt. J.S.B. ✓
Robert Martin ✓
J Inglis Ker. J.P. ✓
Donald MacDonald ✓
Rev Alexander Weir ✓
Charles Patterson ✓
John Barber Todd B.Sc. ✓
William Greenhill ✓
Charles J. Scott. W.S. ✓
James P. Sym. W.S. ✓
Evan Wm Balfour-Melville ✓
Thomas Stephenson. A.Sc. ✓
William Patterson. I.R.A.B. ✓
John Carr. M.D. ✓

There

There was submitted a letter, dated 1st October, from the Secretary of the Cockburn Association, along with copy Resolution passed at a meeting of the Council of the Association in connection with the site of the proposed American War Memorial in Prince's Street Gardens. The President stated that said receipt of that letter the site of the proposed Memorial had been changed, and that it was not necessary in the meantime to do anything further in the matter.

There was also submitted a letter, dated 20th October, from Mr Allan & Ogilvie, along with an account of the proceedings at the representatives meeting held in connection with the Regional Survey of Edinburgh. - It was agreed to appoint Mr Robert J. Skinner, one of the Vice Presidents of the Club, to represent the Club at the meetings of the Representative Committee, in connection with the matter.

Mr

Mr. Forbes Gray, Editor of the
Publications of the Club, reported that
Volume XV is well advanced and that
the Book will be issued early ~~for~~ next
year.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Tuesday 11th January 1927 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Mr Ross	Mr Hanner
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Robertson	Mr Watson
Mr Robble	Mr Russell	Mr Paterson
Miss Wood	Mr Paton	Mr Hannah
Mr Melville	Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie

Mr Cowan presided

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr W. G. A. Ross.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 27th October 1926 was read and approved.

It was reported that

Mr J. L. Munro

Mr Hugh Skelton

Mr W. G. Inman

led

had been removed from the Roll of members
and that the following had been elected
members.

Mr William D Manchester, Solicitor
Mr James Milligan, W.S.
Major Colin Macrae of Coleraine
Mr Leslie G. Thomson

This was approved.

The death of the following mem-
bers was reported

Mr George Crawford
Mr David Baxter
Mr W Fraser Dobie

Shiriff William George Scott Moncrieff

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being three vacancies
the following were elected members:-

Mr. W. J. Lee
Mr Ernest A Savage
Mr Peter J McBlain

The Reports of the Secretary and
Treasurer for the year ended 31st December
last

last. were submitted and approved.

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported that Volume XV was now well advanced and he hoped that it would be issued to the members in March.

On the motion of Mr. Stanner it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Annual Meeting that Mr. William Brown be re-elected President.

It was mentioned that the Annual Meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber on 26th inst. at 4 o'clock, and it was agreed to ask Sir John Lubbock, Bt., LL.D., to preside at the meeting.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 26th April 1927 at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Cowan	Dr Ross	Mr James Gray
Mr Russell	Miss Wood	Mr Hannah
Mr Kerr	Mr Jamieson	Dr Grant
Mr Glassford Walker	Mr Whitson	Mr MacKintosh

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Skinner, Mr Paterson, Mr Melville, Mr W. G. A. Ross.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 11th January 1927 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported.

Deaths. Mr Neil MacLeod
Mr J. B. Stevens.

Resignations

Resignations.

Mr A. H. Campbell

Mr W. R. Plummer.

Mr William Stephen

The applications for membership were submitted, and there being five vacancies the following were elected members.

Mr J. H. Logan

Mr Thomas Jule

Very Rev Charles L. Warr

Mr Ronaldson

Mr M. Watt

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee

Mr W. Forbes Gray, Convenor,

Mr William Cowan

Miss Wood

Mr John Russell

On the motion of Mr Forbes Gray, it was resolved that Vol XVI should take the form of a collection of extracts bearing upon the history of Edinburgh from the not readily accessible publications of the Bannatyne

Bannatyne Club, and Mr Gray was authorized
to purchase if necessary the required volumes
of the Bannatyne Club publications, and also
to arrange for the services of a typist to
make the required extracts from the Books.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street on
the evening of Tuesday 27th
October 1927 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan, Mr Hanner, Mr Forbes Gray,
Mr Russell, Miss Wood, Mr W & A Ross,
Mr Kerr, Dr Grant, Mr Glasgow Walker
Mr MacRitchie

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were entrusted
from Mr Stewart, Mr Jamieson, Mr Melville,
Mr Whitson

The minute of meeting of the
Council held on 26th April 1927 was read
and approved.

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being six vacancies
the following were elected members:-

Mr Robert J Duncan

Mr

—

Mr Buchanan Campbell. W. S.

Mr Auchmuty

Mr J Logan Mack. B. S.

Mr Fred J Turnbull

Rev Thomas Haman

Mr Forbes Gray reported the progress made with Vol XVI of the Publications of the Club.

Mr Henry J Kerr agreed to give a Lecture on "Trinity College Church" on 17th November, and it was resolved to Mr Skinner to endeavour to arrange for Lectures in December, January and February.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Thursday, 12th January 1928 at 8 o'clock

Present,

Mr Cowan.	Mr Hannan	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Russell	Mr Paterson	Miss Wood
Mr Hannah	Mr Kerr	Mr Jameson
D Grant	Mr Walker	Mr Wilson
Mr MacRitchie		

Mr Cowan presided

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr W.B. A Ross.

The minutes of meeting of the Council held on 27th October 1927 was read and approved.

There was submitted a letter, dated 26th December, from Mr Young of Pentland, stating that owing to illness he is unable to attend meetings of the Club, and asking that Mr

D. H. Pentland, Rosetta, Inverleith Gardens, be elected a member in his stead. The Council regretted they could not see their way to comply with Mr Pentland's request.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being four vacancies the following were elected members.

Mr Andrew Easton

Mrs E. M. Inglis.

Mr William Macintosh

Mr Scott Moncrieff Penney.

The Reports by the Secretary and the Treasurer for the year ended 31st December last, were submitted and approved.

The Convener of the Editorial Committee reported the progress made with Volume XVI of the publications of the Club.

On the motion of Mr Skene it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Annual Meeting that Mr William Gowan be re-elected President.

It was mentioned that the Annual Meeting

meeting of the Club would be held in the old Council Chamber on 31st inst at 4.0. clock and that the Right Honourable the Lord Provost. had agreed to preside at the meeting.

The attention of the Council was directed to the threatened demolition of an old house on the north side of Grassmarket, N 82, which was the only 17th century house now remaining in the Grassmarket. It was agreed that the President, Mr Forbes Gray, and Mr Kerr should interview the City Architect with the view of having the building preserved.

A meeting of the Council
was held at 21 Rutland
Street, on the evening of
Wednesday 25th April 1928
at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Cowan	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Hamch
Mr Melville	Mr Kerr	Mr Jameson
Mr Walker	Mr Bragg Watson	Mr Hutton
Mr MacFitchie		

Mr Cowan presided

Apologies for absence were intimated
from Mr Skinner, Mr Chambers and Mr Wood.

The Minute of meeting of the Council
held on 12th January 1928 was read and
approved.

The President reported that the Sub
Committee appointed at the last meeting of the
Council had interviewed the City Architect in
connection with the threatened demolition of
an

an old house on the north side of the
grammar school, and had been assured that
everything would be done to preserve the
old building.

The following deaths and resigna-
tions were reported.

Deaths. J. Hunter Brown
George A. Celiot
James W. Sherman
John Pratt
J. W. Williamson

Resignation Young J. Kentland.

The applications for membership
were submitted and there being six vacan-
cies the following were elected

Miss E. J. Povey
Rev J. Ratcliffe Barnett Ph.D.
John R. Jannesson
Mr. Lutt.
Peter Henderson
Robert N. Lunt

The Chairman of the Editorial Com.

minutes

- Miller reported that all material for Vol XVI was now ready and that the Book would be issued to the members in the autumn.

It was remitted to Mr Gwynne and Mr Hennel to arrange for two meetings during the summer.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Wednesday 10th October 1928 at 8 o'clock.

Present

Mr Cowan	Mr Skinner	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Hood	Mr Melville	Mr Kerr
Mr Walker	Mr Chambers	Mr Angus
Mr Watson	Mr Gibson	Mr MacFarlane

Mr Cowan presided.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Paton, Mr Hannah and Mr McLean.

The minutes of meeting of the Council held on 28th April 1928 was read and approved.

The Chairman referred to the death of Dr. Walter B. Blair and moved:-

"The Council record their deep sense of the great loss which, along with many other

other societies, the Old Edinburgh Club has
mourned in the death on 3rd May, last,
of D. W. B. Blair. D. Blair became a
member of the Club in the year of its
foundation, 1908, and from the first he
took a very deep interest in all its
affairs. It was due to his fine taste
and practical knowledge of all matters
connected with book production, that our
volumes from the first appeared in the
handsome form which has been so much ad-
mired; and the article on Prince Charles
in Edinburgh in 1745, which he contributed
to our second volume, set a notable example
of the type of article which it has been the
aim of the Club to give to our members.
D. Blair was President of the Club from 1909
to 1914 and in 1919 he was appointed
one of the Honorary Vice Presidents, holding
that position until his death. During all
these years the members of Council have
had much experience of D. Blair's readiness
to

To give all needed help and advice, while the charm of his personality is, to all of us, a lasting memory."

The Secretary was entrusted to send an extract from this minute to Miss Blaikie.

The following deaths and resignation were reported

Deaths. The Right Hon Lord Strathclyde

Mr Alexander Caird

Mr A Russell Simpson W.S.

Mr William Houston H.S.

Resignation. Mr William Paterson M.S.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being six vacancies the following were elected

Mr Ellen Fraser

Miss Alison McKie

Mr Stewart Lamb

Mr Susan Kennedy

Mr E. J. MacRae A.R.S.D.

Mr William A Macartney

The

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported that Vol XVI was in the press and would be issued to members on an early date.

It was unanimously agreed to present to the Convenor of the Editorial Committee the Volumes of the Bannatyne Club publications purchased by the Club for Vol XVI of the Book of the Club. Mr Forbes Gray accepted the Volumes and suitably thanked the Council for the gift.

Mr Bruce Watson agreed to give a Lecture on 'The Chapel House, Tollerrow', 'The Vanished Nicolson House' and 'The House in West Nicolson Street' in November and it was resolved to Mr Cowan and Mr Skinner to arrange for other Lectures during the Winter.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Wednesday 9th January 1929 at 8 o'clock

Present,

Mr Skinner	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Hannah
Mr Jamieson	Mr Chamber	Mr McLean
Mr Angus	Mr Burg Hobson	Mr Whiston
Mr Macfarlane		

Mr Skinner presided

Before proceeding to business Mr Skinner referred to the serious accident the President, Mr Towan, met with some weeks ago, but he was pleased to report that Mr Towan was making good progress. The Secretary was instructed to convey to Mr Towan the sincere sympathy of the Council with him and to express the hope that in a few months he may be able to resume at least part of his usual activities

apologies

Apologies for absence were intimated
from Mr Kern and Mr Walker

The Minute of Meeting of the
Council held on 10th October 1928

The following letter from Mrs Blake
was read:-

The Pebble, Cantelupa Road

Bexhill-on-Sea, 18th October 1928

Dear Mr MacRitchie

My sister and I would like to thank
you very much for your letter, and we would be
very grateful if you would kindly convey to the
Council of the Old Edinburgh Club our deep
appreciation of the things mentioned by them at
their meeting of Oct 10th about my father.

There is no need to remind you that
his feeling for the Old Edinburgh Club was very
genuine and lasting. He had taken great pride
in its founding in 1908 and he also took great
pride in the volumes as they came out and it
was a very great gratification to him to be in
the chair given in honour of Mr Gowan a year
or

or two ago. There was no activity that he
thought more of than the Old Edinburgh Club,
and, therefore, you can understand that we
are specially obliged to you for sending us the
Extract and to the Council for their recording
their feelings about my father.

With our sincere thanks

Believe me

Yours sincerely

(Signed) Alice Blairkie

The Secretary reported that on going
over the list of members previous to the issue
of Vol XVI he found that Mr James W Thomson
had died, and that Mr Nathaniel Bryson, Mr
John James Cowan, Charles De La Harp and
Mr William Patterson L.R.S.B. had resigned
and that the President had authorized the
election of

Mr H. Thompson Patterson M.B.

Miss Grant

Mr D. M. Inglis

Mr M. J. B. B. B. B.

Mr

Mr Jessie Gillespie

This was approved

The following deaths and resignations
were reported:-

Deaths. Mr William Bryce

Ex Mr John Fitz William Blair

Resignations. Mr David Johnston

Miss Katherine Wallace

The applications for membership were
submitted and the Bursar for vacancies. The
following were elected

Mr Walter Mercer

Mr William Allan

Mr Allan

Mr David A Small

The Reports by the Secretary and the
Bursar for the year ended 31st December 1968
were submitted and approved.

It was reported that Vol XVI of the
publications of the Club had been issued to
the members.

It was unanimously agreed to re-
commend

commended to the Annual Meeting that Mr
Cowan be re-elected President, that Dr Thomas
Ross be elected an Honorary Vice President
and that Mr Charles B Burg Watson be
elected a Vice President,

It was reported that the Annual
Meeting would be held in the Old Council
Chamber City Chambers, on the afternoon of
Wednesday, 30th inst, at 4 o'clock.

It was agreed to ask the Hon.
Hew Dalrymple to preside at the Annual
Meeting.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Monday 29th April 1929 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Skinner	Mr Geddie	Mr John Gray
Mr Kerr	Mr Walker	Mr McLaren
Mr Angus	Mr Jule	Mr Russell
Mr Paton	Mr MacRae	Mr Watson
Mr MacRitchie		

Mr Skinner presided.

Apologies for absences were intimated from Mr Bob Watson, Mr Chambers and Mr Malcolm

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 9th January 1929 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported:-

Deaths:- Mr John Dorell
Mr G. J. Gardiner

Resignations

Resignations:- Mr Logan Calver
Miss E. S. Power

The applications for membership were submitted and there being four vacancies the following were elected:-

Mr A Clark Doull

A Thomas Gardner M.B. Ch.B.

D. W. Pentland.

Henry W. Leckie M.A., D. Litt.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee

Mr Forbes Gray. Convener

Mr John Gaddie

Mr William Angus.

Dr Charles A. Malcolm

The Convener of the Editorial Committee mentioned the paper available for Volume XVII of the Book of the Club.

The Council took up the report of the Club at the Annual Meeting held on 30 January last. - After remarks by
Mr

Mr Russell, Mr Kern, Mr Wharen, Mr
Mackay and Mr Forbes Gray, it was
resolved to defer consideration of the
matter.

It was resolved to Mr Hannel,
Mr Kern, Mr Russell and the Secretary
to arrange Summer Outings and Lectures.

A meeting of the Council
was held at 21 Rutland Street
on the evening of Tuesday
15th October 1929 at 8
o'clock

Present

Mr Hinners	Mr Geddie	Mr Forbes & Co.
Mr Kerr	Mr Jameson	Mr Walker
Mr Chambers	Mr Angus	Mr Jule
Mr Russell	Mr McAlister	Mr Paton
Mr MacRae	Mr Whiston	Mr MacRitchie

Mr Geddie presided

An apology for absence was inter-
ceded from Mr Boag Watson

The minutes of meeting of the
Council held on 29th April 1929 was read
and approved

Mr Geddie referred to the great loss
the Club had sustained in the deaths of
the Hon President the Earl of Rosebery
and

and the President Mr William Cowan. It was agreed that the following be recorded in the minutes:-

"The Nation loses an outstanding personality by the death on 24th May of the first Honorary President of the Old Edinburgh Club, the Earl of Rosebery and Melville who presided at the first Annual Meeting in January 1909, delivering a charming speech and commending its aims and objects to members generally. His frequent absence from the district combined with indifferent health latterly precluded his Lordship from taking a more active personal concern in the proceedings. He watched its progress keenly however and was an assiduous and sympathetic reader of its publications.

The members of the Old Edinburgh Club news with deep regret the death on

"on 6th May of Mr William Cowan, then
" President since 30th January 1920. Few
" Citizens possessed so intimate a know-
" ledge of the Scottish Capital, while no
" one was more willing to communicate
" that knowledge to others. Mr Cowan's
" contributions to the Book of the Club
" were proof of his capable and thorough
" going research into the history and
" archaeology of his native city. An
" excellent man of affairs, he gave
" freely and generously of his services,
" taking a close practical interest
" in whatever pertained to the Club.
" With his passing the members lose
" a trusted friend and respected colleague
" who discharged his duties most
" loyally and competently:-

On the motion of Mr Geddie, Mr
G. S. Chambers was unanimously appointed
President of the Club. Mr Chambers thanked
the Council for the honour conferred on him
and

and took the chair.

The death of Mr William K White and the resignation of Mr Thomas Rantine were reported.

It was agreed to elect Mr Herbert D Bryce a member of the Club, in succession to his late father, Mr William Bryce.

The applications for membership were submitted, and there being three vacancies the following were elected

Mr R. Meredith Lawrence

Mr Thomas MacRae

Mr Francis J Grant, Lyon King of Arms.

It was agreed to ask Mr. Gen Sir Robert Gilmour of Liberton and Craigmillar Baul, C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., to accept office as Honorary President of the Club, in succession to the late Earl of Rothes.

The Convener of the Editorial Committee reported that Volume XVII was well advanced and that the Book would be published early in 1930.

Mr
—

Mr Skinner agreed to endeavour to
arrange for a Lecture in December and
February.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Thursday 9th January 1930 at 8 O. clock

Present.

Mr Chambers	Mr Hemmes	Mr Boyd Watson
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Kerr	Mr Walters
Mr McLaren	Mr Angus	Mr Jule
Mr Russell	Mr Malcolm	Mr MacRae
Mr Whiston	Mr MacKintosh	

Mr Chambers presided.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Geddie and Mr Jamieson.

The Minute of meeting of the Council held on 15th October 1929 was read and approved.

The deaths of Mr J Macintyre and Henry and Mr William Lindsay ~~and~~ the resignation of Mr John Reid were reported.

reported.

The applications for membership were submitted and there being three vacancies, the following were elected

R. E. Waller James SSC

Miss Agatha Lorrimer

Miss Hilda M. Clarke

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ended 31st December 1929 were submitted and approved.

The Chairman of the Editorial Committee reported that Volume XVIII would be ready for issue to the members in April.

It was resolved to recommend to the Annual Meeting that Mr Gen Sir Robert Gilmour be appointed Honorary President and Mr C. S. J. Chambers President.

It was reported that the Annual Meeting would be held in the Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on the afternoon of Thursday 30th and at 4 o'clock.

A meeting of the Council
was held at 21 Rutland
Street, on the evening of
Monday 28th April 1930
at 8 o'clock.

Present.

Mr Flanner	Mr Doug Watson	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Angus	Mr Gale	Mr Russell
Mr Paton	Mr Forrest	Mr Landon
Mr Robertson	Mr Meers	Mr Whitson
Mr MacArthur		

Mr Doug Watson presided.

An apology for absence was received
from the President Mr Chamber.

The minute of meeting of the
Council held on 9th January 1930 was
read and approved.

The following deaths and resig-
-nations were reported:

Deaths: Stuart Douglas Elliot M
Jr
—

for John R. Fendley
Mr W. M. Taylor

Joseph J. Walker
Walter J. Watson

W. H. Mearns

Resignations:- Miss Thues

Mr Jessie Cross

Miss Jessie R. Gilespie

Mr Lamb

John A. Ross

Mr J. E. Taylor

The following were elected members
of the Club.

Archibald B. Campbell W. T.

W. D. Conidine

for Thomas H. Hockmoe

J. Craigie Macdonald

Principal Robert S. Rait

William Saunders

Laura Lindsay

John Smith

Miss Jane Hunter

Miss

Miss E. B. Lemon

Miss Alice Miller

Miss Margaret A. Stearns

The Secretaries reported that Volume
XVII had been issued to the members.

The following were appointed the
Editorial Committee.

W. Forbes Gray, Convener

John Geddes

William Angus

Charles A. Macleod

It was resolved to Mr. Stearns to
arrange meetings in May and June.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Tuesday 28th October 1930 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Chambers	Mr Skinner	Mr Bury Watson
Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Mann	Mr Angus
Mr Gule	Dr Macdonald	Mr Paton
Mr Grant	Mr MacRae	Dr Meikle
Mr Robertson	Mr Whitson	Mr MacArthur

Mr Chambers presided

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 28th April 1930 was read and approved.

The death of Mr Robert Collie Gray Esq was reported.

The Secretary reported that Principal Robert J Rait had failed to pay his sub. sumption and it was agreed to debit his name.

names from the Roll of members.

The following were elected members
of the Club.

Miss Ellen Rennie

James Donaldson

The Convenor reported as to the
articles available for Volume XVIII of the
Bark of the Club.

Mr Forbes Gray agreed to give
a Lecture on "The Barony of Strathglen" in
November.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Friday 9th January 1931. at 8 o'clock

Present

Mr Chamber	Mr George Watson	Mr James Gray
Mr Meers	Mr Jule	Mr Russell
Dr Malcolm	Mr Paton	Mr MacRae
Mr Grant	Mr Sanderson	Mr Robertson
Mr Whitson	Mr MacRitchie	

Mr Chamber presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Skinner and Mr Angus.

The Minute of meeting of the Council held on 28th October 1930 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported

Deaths:- Dr Thomas Ross
Mr John Inglis
Mr

Mr W. Melville Sym

Mr R E Waller James.

Resignation. Mr Johnston Christie Wright

The following were admitted
members of the Club.

Miss Evelyn French

Alexander H. Taylor

J. Mells New R.L.

John W. Bullen

John St. Young

John McVie

The Reports by the Secretary and
Treasurer for the year ended 31 December
1930 were submitted and approved.

The Convenor of the Editorial
Committee reported progress with Vol
XVIII of the Book of the Club.

It was agreed to recommend to
the Annual Meeting the election of the
following Office Bearer.

Hon. Vice President

John Giddie

President

G. E. J. Chandler.

Vice

Vice Presidents

R. J. Kennel

Charles P. Booy Watson

Thomas J. Grant

Hon. Auditors

Henry Leszels Esq.

It was reported that the annual meeting of the Club would be held in the Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on the afternoon of Thursday 29 January at 4 o'clock.

The President mentioned that the Library Committee of the Edinburgh Public Libraries desired permission to reprint the late Mr William Cowan's Catalogue of Edinburgh maps which appeared in Vol XII of the Book of the Club. The following is a copy of the letter received from the Librarian.

November 27, 1930

Dear Mr James Gray,

Mr Booy Watson has completed a revision of Mr Cowan's Catalogue of Edinburgh maps which appeared in the

The Book of the Old Edinburgh Club
Vol 12 - He has also prepared a valuable
census of the copies of these maps
in the several Libraries of Edinburgh.
The Library Committee would like to
publish Mr Bourg Watson's revision and
census as a guide to the collection
which Mr Cowan bequeathed to the Library.
I shall be glad if permission can be
granted by your Club for a re-issue of
the Catalogue. All proper acknowledg-
ments will be made to the Club, - The
Catalogue will be ascribed to Mr Cowan
as Author of it, and Mr Bourg Watson
name will appear as Editor and Com-
piler of the Census.

Yours faithfully
(Signed) Ernest A Savage
Librarian

After remarks of members of the
Council, it was agreed on the motion of the
Treasurer seconded by the President that
permission

Telephone
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Edinburgh Public Libraries.

William Forbes Gray, Esq.,
F.R.S.E., F.S.A.Scot.,
8, Mansionhouse Road,
EDINBURGH.

November 27, 1930.

Dear Mr. Forbes Gray,

Mr. Boog Watson has completed a revision of Mr. Cowan's catalogue of Edinburgh maps which appeared in The Book of the Old Edinburgh Club, vol.12. He has also prepared a valuable census of the copies of these maps in the several libraries of Edinburgh.

The Library Committee would like to publish Mr. Boog Watson's revision and census as a guide to the collection which Mr. Cowan bequeathed to this Library. I shall be glad if permission can be granted by your Club for a reissue of the Catalogue. All proper acknowledgements will be made to the Club, the Catalogue will be ascribed to Mr. Cowan as author of it, and Mr. Boog Watson's name will appear as editor and compiler of the census.

Yours faithfully,

Ernest Savad

Librarian.

permission be granted on the express understanding and condition that it would not form a precedent.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange for excursions in May, June and July.

The President referred to the great loss the Club had sustained through the death of Dr Thomas Ross, and on his motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted:-

'The Council desire to record their sense of the great loss the Club has sustained in the death of Thomas Ross, LL.D., one of the Honorary Vice-Presidents. Dr. Ross was an original member, and for twenty years took a leading and highly useful part in the affairs of the Club. He was elected a member of Council in 1908, a Vice-President in 1914, and an Honorary Vice-President in 1929, succeeding in the last-mentioned office the late W. B. Blaikie, LL.D. Dr. Ross was a very frequent leader of excursions organised by the Club, and the antiquarian knowledge and professional learning with which he invested the informal lectures he usually gave on such occasions rendered them valuable contributions to the subject. Combined with his enthusiasm, which was always according to knowledge,

was a kindliness and good humour, likewise a readiness to answer all sorts of questions. These traits enhanced his authority as well as deepened the respect the members entertained for him. But perhaps Dr. Ross's best work for the Club is embodied in these elaborate and scholarly articles which from time to time he contributed to our volumes. In the Book of the Club for 1909 he told the history of the statues of Justice and Mercy which stood on each side of the doorway of the old Parliament House. Then in 1911 (Vol. IV.) Dr. Ross described the monument to Bartholomew Somervell which, after adorning the Old College buildings for 134 years, was removed a century ago and inserted in the walls of the mansion of Craighall, Perthshire. But his full powers were reserved for two long articles which he wrote in collaboration with Professor Baldwin Brown, and which appear in Vols. VIII. and XI. respectively. The earlier deals with the Magdalen Chapel, the later with Tailors' Hall, Cowgate. Historically and architecturally, both articles are full of minute and painstaking research, and every future writer on these buildings must, as a matter of course, refer to them. Dr. Ross's admirable work for the Club, together with his genial personality, will long be remembered.

The Council instruct the Secretary to send an extract of this Minute to the Misses Ross, with an expression of their deep sympathy with them in their bereavement.'

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street
on the evening of Tuesday
28th April 1931 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Stennet	Mr Grant	Mr John Gray
Mr Russell	Mr Paton	Mr MacRae
Mr Melville	Mr Donald	Mr Hannah
Mr Mack	Mr MacRitchie	

Mr Grant presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from
Mr Chambers, Mr Doug Watson, Dr Meikle
and the Treasurer.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council
held on 9th January 1931 was read and
approved.

The following letters from the ^{Librarian} ~~Director~~
of the Edinburgh Public Libraries and Miss
Russ were read.

Edinburgh Public Libraries

27th

Telephone
Edinburgh 27756

Edinburgh Public Libraries.

Lewis A. MacRitchie, Esq.,
96, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

27th Feb., 1931.

Dear Mr. MacRitchie,

I have your letters of 25th February. I am very much obliged to you for them.

Will you please convey to the Council of the Old Edinburgh Club, the warm thanks of the Library Committee for the permission which has been granted. I am quite sure that the Council will be glad to see copies of the revised Catalogue as soon as it is issued, and I will arrange that a copy shall be sent to each member of the Council of the Club.

Yours sincerely,

Ernest A. Savage

Dear Mr MacRitchie

*My sister and I would be
grateful*

27th February 1931.

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I have your letter of 25th February. I am very much obliged to you for them.

Will you please convey to the Council of the Old Edinburgh Club, the warm thanks of the Library Committee for the permission which has been granted. I am quite sure that the Council will be glad to see copies of the revised Catalogue as soon as it is issued, and I will arrange that a copy shall be sent to each member of the Council of the Club.

Yours sincerely
(Signed) Ernest Savage

14 Foxe Coburg Place

Edinburgh 13th February 1931.

Dear Mr MacKitchie

My sister and I would be
grateful

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of the Old Edinburgh Club our thanks
for the excerpt from the meeting of the
9th January. He thinks it is a most
delightful and comprehensive description
of our father's work and connection with
the Club, and we are pleased to have it.
We would like to thank you personally
for your trouble.

Yours sincerely
(Signed) Elizabeth Helen Ross.

The following deaths and resig-
-nations were intimated:

Deaths: George R Bruce
Miss C Sanderson

Resignations: J Inglis Ker
Dr Thomas G Carmichael

The following were elected members
of the Club:

The Right Hon the Earl of Roxburg
Miss Elizabeth H Ross
Miss

14 Sasse Coling Place
Edinburgh

19th February 1951

Dear Mr. MacRitchie

My sister & I would
be grateful if you would convey to the
Council of the Old Edinburgh Club our
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We would like to thank you personally for
your trouble.

Yours sincerely

Elizabeth Hume Ross

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Miss Jessie Sanderson

Robert Linton

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported progress made with Vol. XVIII.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee

Mr H Forbes Gray, Convenor.

Mr Francis J Grant

Dr Henry W Mitchell.

Dr Charles A Malcolm.

It was mentioned that the following summer outcrop had been arranged in

Kiddrie House. 2 days

Elmer House 6 days

Donaldson's Hospital 27 days

A meeting of the Council was held
at 21 Rutland Street, on the
evening of Wednesday 28th October
1931 at 8 o'clock

Present:-

Mr Chambers	Mr Skinner	Mr Boof Watson
Mr Grant	Mr Gray	Mr Russell
Mr Watson	Mr Melville	Mr Tansley
Mr Robertson	Mr Hannah	Mr Meek
D. Meek	Mr Whitson	Mr MacFarlane

Mr Chambers presided.

An apology for absence was intimated
from Mr Donald.

The minutes of meeting of the Council
held on 28th April 1931 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations
were reported.

Deaths

Spencer C. Thomson

Charles F. Scott

James C. Clarkson

Resignations

Sir James Balfour Paul
Resignation A J Malin
James A Hamilton

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members.

Mr G H Trepper, Bristol
James Donald, Helmore Road
Alec, and Mrs Wether 14 Rawlston Park
Robert J L Hendry, Clydesdale Bank
David Foster W. S.
H Crawford, 16 Valleyfield Street

The Chairman of the Editorial Committee reported progress made with Burs. of the Club.

The President referred to the loss the Club had sustained through the death of Sir James Balfour Paul - When the Club was founded Sir James was elected an Honorary Vice President, a position he held till his death. He took a warm interest in the affairs of the Club and contributed a valuable paper on
the

"The Annual Bearings of the City of Edinburgh" to Vol III of the Book of the Club. On the motion of the President the Secretary was entrusted to send an extract of this minute to Lord Balfour of Paisley with an expression of deep sympathy with him in his bereavement.

Mr Chambers also referred to the loss Mr Geddie had sustained through the death of his wife and the Secretary was entrusted to convey to Mr Geddie the sincere sympathy of the Council in his bereavement and loss.

Congratulations were offered to Mr Grant on the degree of LL.D conferred upon him by Aberdeen University.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Pullman Street
on the evening of Thursday 5th
January, 1932 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Chambers	Mr Bowg Hobson	Dr Grant
Mr Gray	Mr Russell	Dr Malcolm
Mr Talbot	Mr Leachman	Mr Robertson
Mr Hannah	Mr Mack	The Treasurer
The Secretary		

Mr Chambers presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from
Mr Haines, Dr Leach, Mr Tauderson and
Mr Melville.

The Minute of meeting of Council held
on 28th October 1931 was read and approved.

The Secretary laid on the table letters
from Mr John Geddie and Lieut. Col Balfour
Paul thanking the Council for expressions
of sympathy.

The

The death of Mr W.K. Allan and resignation of Dr. Stewart were reported and the Secretary mentioned that Mr H. Crawford who had been elected a member on 28th October last had withdrawn.

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members

Alexander Law, Mr. Royce Hylt Thord

William A. Crook, Mf

Hugh Macintosh M. G. D. L. Stewart

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ended 31 December last were submitted and approved.

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported that Vol XVIII would be ready for issue about the end of April.

It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Annual Meeting that the Right Hon. The Earl of Cassilis be elected an Honorary President of the Club in succession to the late Sir James Balfour Paul and that

Mr

Mr Chambers be re-elected President

It was reported that the annual meeting would be held in the Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on the afternoon of Wednesday 27 January at 4 o'clock.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Wednesday 27 April 1932 at 8 o'clock.

Present,

Dr Grant	Mr Gray	Dr Meekle
Mr Sanderson	Mr Hannah	Miss Wood
Mr Means	Mr Jule	The Secretary

Dr Grant presided

Apologies for absence were entertained from Mr Chambers, Mr Hannes, Mr Boag Watson and the Treasurer.

The minutes of meeting of the Council held on 5th January 1932 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were reported:

Deaths. Martin Anderson
Joseph Park

Resignations

Resignations Messrs. de Leon

Sir Bruce Selton

William Hayne

The applications for membership were submitted and four being full vacancies the following were elected members:

Mr. Law. 41 St. David's Row

Mr. Smart 41 Chalmers Crescent

Dr. Edward Carmichael 41 Blythe Cross

John Wright 104 Princes Street

John K. Spittal 41 Moray Place

The Chairman of the Editorial Com. has reported that Vol. XVIII of the Book of the Club was now ready for issue to members.

On the motion of the Chairman a cordial vote of thanks was awarded to Mr. Angus for the assistance given by him in the preparation of the Volume.

The following were appointed the Editorial Committee: Mr. Forbes Gray (President), Dr. Francis J. Grant, Dr. Henry H. Mitchell and Mr.

Mr William Angus.

The Chairman referred to the loss Mr Angus had sustained through the death of his wife and the Secretary was instructed to record in the minutes and to convey to Mr Angus the sincere sympathy of the Council in his bereavement and sorrow.

It was intimated that the following outings had been arranged.

7 May

Old University

4 June

Huntly House Museum

2 July

Heriot's Hospital

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Wednesday 26th October 1932 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Boag Watson

Dr Grant.

Mr E. C. C.

Mr Sanderson

Mr Robertson

Mr Hamer

Mr Mack

Miss Wood

Mr Angus

Mr Jule

The Treasurer

The Secretary

Mr Boag Watson presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Chambers, Mr Skene, Dr Meikle, Mr Donald and Mr Meas.

The Minute of Meeting of the Council held on 27 April 1933 was read and approved

A letter was read from Mr Angus, thanking the Council for their ~~letter~~ sympathy on the death of his wife

The following deaths and resignations were

were reported.

Deaths Prof. G. Baldwin Brown

Daniel Cameron

Dr James L. Goring

Peter S. McBlain

Miss Francis A. McLean

Dr James A. Middleton

Resignations Donald MacDonald

Miss Jessie Nicol

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members

Mr John L. Morrison 69 Merchiston Green

Miss G. Mackay 29 Colworth Gardens

W. Croft Gray M.B.

James Allan J. Buckingham Terrace

James J. Darlington 21 Pitt Street

Miss E. Perry 7 Belgrave Place

Col H. L. Harder C.B.E. D.F.O.

S. H. Francis 3 Leamouth Terrace

It was reported that Vol XVIII of the Book of the Club had been issued to the members

The

The Convenor of the Editorial Com.
miller stated that Vol XIX was in course
of preparation and that the following
papers have been arranged provisionally:

1. Incorporation of Hammerman of Canongate
by Miss Hood.
2. Social Assemblies of the 18th Century by James
H Jamieson
3. Bannock of Calthor, Part II by Henry M Paton
4. Bonnington, its Lands and Mansions by
Mr John Russell.
5. Musical Societies of Edinburgh and St.
Cecilia's Hall by Mr Forbes Gray.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street, on the evening of Wednesday 11th January 1933 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Chambers.	Mr Skinner.	Mr Boop Hoban.
Dr Grant	Mr Gray	Mr Donald
Mr Hannah	Mr Mack	Mr Hood
Mr Angus	Mr Mees.	Mr Jule
Mr MacRitchie		

Mr Chambers presided

An apology for absence was entered from Dr Meikle

The Minute of meeting of the Council held on 26 October 1932 was read and approved.

The Secretary reported the death of Mr John Moncrieff Tennant and the resignations of Mr Victor Wright and Mrs Mackay.

The applications for membership were submitted

submitted and the following were elected members:-

Miss Thence M. Jones } Great Street Street
Miss Robert J. Jones }
Mr H. Drummond Gault, Alcester,
Saugthor Road.

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ended 31 December 1932 were submitted and approved.

The Council of the Editorial Committee reported progress made with Vol XIX of the Book of the Club.

A suggestion was made that the site of the Black Bow Fort of Edinburgh which was removed in 1764 be marked off on the street in the same way as was done recently in the case of the Old Tollbooth - Mr Thomas Gault indicated that he would be prepared to meet the expense provided the Magistrates and Town Council would sanction the necessary operations to give effect to the proposal.
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The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Town Clerk on the subject.

It was agreed to recommend to the members at the Annual Meeting that Sir Robert Gilmour of Leith and Warr. -millon Bart be re-elected Hon. President of the Club and that Mr G. I. Chambers be re-elected President.

The Secretary mentioned that the Annual Meeting would be held in the Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on Wednesday 31st January at 4 o'clock and that the Hon. Lord St. Vigeans had agreed to preside.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street on the
evening of Wednesday 26 April
1933 at 8 o'clock

Present.

Mr Borg Mason	Dr Grant	Mr Gray
Mr Hannah	Mr Mack	Mr Smith
Miss Wood	Mr Meers	Mr Jule
Mr Kerr	Dr Malcolm	Mr Russell
Mr MacRitchie		

Dr Grant presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from
Mr Chamberlain, Mr Hannan, Mr Donald,
Mr Angus and the Treasurer.

The minutes of meeting of the
Council held on 11th January 1933 was
read and approved.

The Secretary reported that the
Town Council had agreed to the suggestion
that the site of the Ketter Bow Fort.

be

be marked off on the street and that the work had been carried out. On the motion of the chairman a vote of thanks was awarded to Mr. J. L.

The following deaths and resignations were reported:

Deaths.

Mr. Carmichael.

David Christie

Mr. Peter Donaldson

Thomas Gibson

J. H. Logan

James T. Mackay W.S.

Edward A. Robertson

Walter Clapham M.S.

Mr. Robert Usher B.A.

Resignations.

Mr. Callan

Miss Helen M. Clarke

Roderick McDonald

Mr. E. G. Spring

Miss Catherine M. Rennie

Miss Margaret A. Rennie

John C. L. Stewart

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Dr W G. Sym.

Rev Charles L. Swan D.D.

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members:

Miss Eleanor Hawkins 19 Mayfield Lane
John Mason M.A. F.R.S. 100 Queensferry
John Cameron M.B. 15 Gilmour Road
James Melville M.A. 30 Monmouth Park
George R. Gair Currie
John Townhill 9 Hemlock Lane
John Seale 7 Colinton Lane
Miss Jessie B. Webster Loanhead
Miss Marion H. Gilchrist 34 Blenheim Place
Robert McPatrick 9 Hill Street
Sydney C. Freeman 9 Hill Street
Miss Raudine Stewart 23 Blenheim Place
L. S. Gurney M.A. 52 Inverhill Road
T. Forbes Macdonald F.R.S.G. 7 Leith Walk
Rev Andrew D. Swan D.D. 29 Regent Lane
J. Dods Brown 6 Howard Place
John J. Falconer M.A. D.D. Edinburgh
John

John D. Imrie, M.A., City Chamberlain

The Editor of Publications reported
progress made with Vol XIX of the Hist.
of the City

The following were appointed the
Education Committee viz Mr Forbes Gray
(Convenor), Mr Chambers, Dr Grant,
Mr Angus and Dr Macdonald.

The following were appointed as
a sub-committee for Lectures and Outings
viz Mr Skinner, Dr Grant, Mr Macdonald,
Mr Russell and the Secretary.

Other Clubs on
last
21 Jan

At the Annual Meeting, it was
referred to the Council to ask the
Corporation to receive a deputation in
regard to the ~~preservation~~ preservation of
historic buildings in the City, but as it
has been officially represented that the
problem is very largely financial the
matter was delayed for further consideration.

It was reported that the following
Outings have been arranged

Hopetoun

Hopetown House . 6 May 1933

Rickaba House 3 June .

Amersham House 16 September .

Mr John Russell agreed to act
as leader of a proposed visit to Lark
on a date to be fixed in July.

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street,
on the evening of Thursday
24th October 1933 at 8.0. clock

Present :-

Dr Grant	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Hannah
Mr Smith	Miss Howard	Mr Angus
Mr Jule	Mr Kerr	Mr Russell
Mr Jamieson	Mr MacRitchie	

Dr Grant presided

Apologies for absence were intimated
from Mr Chambers. Per Thomas B Whitson, Mr
Kinnaird, Mr Boyd Watson and Mr Donald

The minute of meeting of the Council
held on 26th April 1933 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations
were intimated :

Deaths Miss Lave. 9 Queens Crescent

Ralph Richardson H.F.

Robert W Stuart, 21 Newchiston Crescent

J. R. W. Macphail K.C.

Resignations. Alexander McInnes 14 Ravelston Park
David Williamson 9 West Saddle Road

The Secretary reported that Councillor John
J. Falconer, W.S. who was admitted a member
on 26 April last had not accepted membership

The applications for membership were
submitted and there being seven vacancies
the following were elected:-

Charles Wallace Jt. 6 West Castle Road.

William B. Lawson 26 Roseburn Terrace

Samuel Glassford, Crichton Road, Dalrymple
Mains

Mr C. A. Allan, 68 Restalrig Road, Leith

Miss Lady Russell, 112 Thirlestane Road.

Mr Pearson Callum 19 Roseburn, Cliff

The Convener of the Editorial Committee
reported that Vol XIX of the Book of the
Club was in print and would be ready
for issue on an early date. On the motion
of Dr Grant it was agreed to issue the
Volume in December.

The Sub Committee on Lectures and
Outings

Outings reported that Mr Henry F Kerr had agreed to give a lecture on "Vanished Buildings of Edinburgh" on 20th November and Mr John Russell on "Historic Houses in Leith" on 12 December. This was approved and Miss Wood agreed to give a lecture in February. Consideration of the Committee's report on Outings was delayed.

Consideration of the arrangements for the Annual Meeting in January was also delayed.

Mr Russell referred to the threatened demolition of Broughtfield House. He stated that the Corporation were informed of the intention to demolish the building and a few of the ground and were asked if they had any proposition to make in connection therewith. A Committee of the Town Council visited the house and reluctantly came to the conclusion that there was no scheme which would justify the Corporation in taking over the mansion, the offer of which was accompanied by somewhat

somewhat stringent conditions. A filling plan has now been submitted to the Corporation which provides for the demolition of the mansion and the laying out of the ground for the erection of tenements. The Committee are of opinion that the demolition of this historic memorial would be a serious loss to the City and the hope was expressed that an effort would be made to save the mansion from destruction.

The Secretary was instructed to call a meeting of the Council for 6th December next.



A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Wednesday 6th December 1933 at 8 o'clock

Present:-

Mr Skinner	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Meek
Mr Angus	Mr Meers	Mr Jule
Mr Kerr	Mr Jamieson	Sir J.B. Watson
Mr MacKilichan		

Mr Skinner presided

Apologies for absences were intimated from Mr Chambers, Dr Grant, Mr Russell, Mr Smith, Miss Ward and Mr Donald.

The Minutes of meeting of the Council held on 24th October was read and approved

The Convenor of the Editorial Committee reported that Vol XIX of the Book of the Club would be issued to the members in the course of next week

The following Summer Outings were agreed

agreed to:-
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 at least June The Drum and Woodmet
 of x July Surgeons Hall re.
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The Treasurer submitted and explained
 the accounts for the year and stated that
 the same would be audited in due course.

It was agreed to recommend to the
 members at the Annual Meeting that Sir
 Robert Gilman of Liberton and Craigmillar
 Bart be re-elected Honorary President of the
 Club and that Mr Chambers be re-elected
 President.

The Secretary mentioned that the
 Annual Meeting would be held in the
 Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on
 the afternoon of Thursday 25 January,
 at 4 o'clock and that Sir Robert Gilman
 had agreed to preside.

Mr Kerr referred to the continued
 demolition of old buildings in Edinburgh
 and moved that the Council get in
 touch

Touch with other Societies interested with
the view of making a protest to the
Town Council on the subject. The matter
was referred to a Sub Committee consisting
of the President, Mr. Dean, Mr. Meek
and Mr. Kerr.

Note The visits to Cranford and
Surgeons Hall were abandoned
and the visits to Caroline
Park and Raddington
substituted.

A meeting of the Council was held
at 21 Rutland Street on the evening
of Monday 23 April 1934 at
8 o'clock

Present:-

Mr Doug Watson	Dr Grant	Mr Forbes Gray
Mr Angus	Mr Macas	Mr Jule
Mr Kern	Dr Macleod	Mr Russell
Mr Greenhill	Mr Robertson	Mr J. B. Whetson
Mr MacRitchie		

Dr Grant presided

Apologies were intimated from Mr Chambers,
Miss Worrall, Mr Jamieson, and Mr Richardson

The Minute of Meeting of the Council
held on 6th December 1933 was read and approved.

Mr Kern drew attention to the demolition of
quaint and historic buildings and urged the
Council to take active steps to arrest the move-
ment. A general discussion followed in which it
was pointed out that the Club had no funds to
meet

meet the necessary expenses of a campaign such as was proposed. The Treasurer however suggested that the Council might see what could be done to save the Gladstone Land which was threatened and Mr Meas undertook to see Sir John Colquhoun, Chairman of the Council of the National Trust for Scotland for Places of Historic Interest or National Beauty, on the subject.

The following deaths and resignations were intimated:-

Deaths Mr Mary Hay Macintosh 23rd St. Paul
R. Murdoch Lawrence, Aberdeen
J. S. Thomson 18 Rutland Place
Gervase Haugh 98 Colworth Terrace
J. Graham Fairley, Aberdeen Terrace, Collieston

Resignation. A. S. Lawrence, London.

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members:-

Doris Ballingale 22 St. Andrew's Road
Miss Lizabeth Witherson, 2 Albert Road
George White, 9 Newbarn Square
John

John A. Dickson 3 Brandon Terrace
Alexander Mitchell 58 Cornhill Road
Norman W. Limer 779, Highcroft, Balesmy
Peter Stevenson 52 Arden Street

The Convener of the Editorial Committee
stated that he hoped to be in a position to
report to the meeting of the Council in
October the progress made with Volume
XX of the Book of the Club.

It was reported that the following
lectures had been arranged.

Books
leaving

13 November 1934. Mr W. T. Gray. "The Mercat
Cross".

11 December 1934. Mr John Russell. "The Lands
of Feling, Harrieton and Triney and
their owners".

12 February 1935. Lord & Vigean. "Some
"Characteristics and Characteristics of Old
Edinburgh".

A meeting of the Council was
held at 21 Rutland Street on
the evening of Tuesday 30th
October 1934 at 8 o'clock

Present:-

Mr Chambers	Mr Hennes	Mr Doug Watson
Dr Grant	Mr Forbes Gray	Miss Ward
Mr Angus	Mr Macar.	Mr Jule
Mr Kerr	Dr Macleod	Mr Russell
Loa Le Veass	Mr Greenhill	Mr Robertson
Rev Thomas B Whiston	Mr MacRitchie	

Mr Chambers presided

The minutes of meeting of the Council
held on 23 April 1934 was read and approved

The following deaths and resignations
were reported:-

Deaths.

Dr Haip Ferguson
Mr Charles E Frew
Mr R. W. Macfarlane Frew
Mr L. M. Mackay
Mr P. Ross Bryce

Resignations. Miss French

Major John MacRae

The applications for membership were submitted and the following were elected members, their first subscription being for 1935.

Mr Lyle 45 Melrose Avenue

James Stewart, 105 Harcourt Park Road.

Miss Milroy 16 Abbotford Park

Mr J I Gordon Thomson 26 Stewart Row.

Mr Robert James Smith 9 Abercorn Road.

Mr James Watt LL.D. H.F. 28 Charlotte Street.

The Council of the Editorial Committee reported that Vol XX was in course of preparation and that the following papers have been provisionally arranged:

1. The High School of Canongate by Miss Helen Anderson
2. The Hammermen of the Canongate by Miss Hogg
3. Dalry House, its Lands and Owners by Mr John Smith

4. An 18th Century Riding Academy by W
H. Forbes Gray.

There was submitted a letter, dated
29th inst, from the Secretary of the Walsbourn
Association enclosing copy of a communication
which the Council of the Association is
sending to the Town Clerk protesting against the
threatened demolition of Achmer House and
enquiring if the Council of the Club would
be willing to be represented on it. While
sympathising with the protest of the Association
the Council were of opinion that certain modi-
fications might be made therein and it was
agreed that the President and Secretary should
endeavour to arrange a meeting with the
Secretary of the Association on the subject.

It was reported that the following
Lectures had been arranged:-

13 November 1934 Mr W Forbes Gray. - The
Moorland Cross.

11 December 1934 Mr John Russell. - The
Lands of Bishop, Hamerton and Trinity and
their Owners.

Note
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found that
the title
has been
sent down
the
class.

13/10/34

12 February 1935. Lord St Vigeans. - Some
characters and characteristics of old
Edinburgh. -

A meeting of the Council was held
at 21 Rutland Street on the
evening of Tuesday 18th December
1934 at 8 O. clock

Present:-

Mr Chambers	Mr Hannes	Mr Boyd Watson
Dr Grant	Mr Forbes Gray	Mr Meas
Mr Jule	Mr Kerr	Mr Russell
Mr Greenhill	Mr Robertson	Mr J. B. Watson
Mr MacPitche		

Mr Chambers presided

Apologies for absence were introduced from
Mr Hord and Mr Jamieson

The minute of meeting of the Council held
on 30th October 1934 was read and approved

The following resignations were reported:-

Miss Sheila M. Young and

Lieut Col. W. J. Morris

The applications for membership were
submitted and the following were elected
members

members:-

Miss Gordon. 4 Ainslie Road

Robert Watkinson. 27 Inverleith Terrace

The Secretary of the Editorial Committee
reported progress made with Vol XX

It was agreed to recommend to the
Annual Meeting that the present Officers Bearer
of the Club be re-elected for next Session.

The Secretary mentioned that the Annual
meeting of the Club would be held in the
Old Council Chamber, City Chambers, on the
afternoon of Wednesday 30th January at 4
o'clock and that the Hon. President, Sir
Robert Gilman, would preside.

A meeting of the Council was held at 21 Rutland Street on the evening of Wednesday 24 April 1935 at 8 o'clock

Present:-

Mr Skinner	Mr Boog Watson	D Grant
Mr Russell	Lva Le Vigian	D Thier
Sir Joseph Dobie	Mr Jameson	Mr Walker
Sir Thomas B Whitson	Mr MacRitchie	

D Grant presided

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr Chambers, Mr Jameson, Mr Greenhill and Mr James Gray.

The minute of meeting of the Council held on 18th December 1934 was read and approved.

The following deaths and resignations were intimated:-

Deaths

William Manson
Sir Malcolm Smith
John

John B. Menzies

Miss Caroline H. Goad

George Morris

Resignations

Miss Edith J. Rice

D^r Edward Carmichael

Miss Bruce

D^r H. Tamm Boog Harbor

The following were admitted members
of the Club:

Charles Munro 123 George Street

J. G. Talbot, C.A. 17 Melville Street

6 Marlborough Street, C.A. 49 York Road

James J. Strachan 27 Heriot Row

M^r Hannah E. Geddie "Elbow" Eskbank

R. Selvaig Murray 8 Madams Row

Miss Muriel Cromie-Brown 87 Cornhill

Banks Avenue

J. W. Hamilton M.A. 11 Station Place

The Secretary reported that Vol XX was
now printed and would be issued to the
members early next month.

On the recommendation of the Editorial
Committee

Committee it was agreed (1) that Vol XXI of the Book of the Club should take the form of a General Index of Vols I to XX inclusive; (2) That the Editor of the Editorial Committee (Mr H Forbes Gray) be responsible for its completion and (3) that a fee of One hundred guineas be paid to him.

The Secretary mentioned that the following Summer Outings had been arranged:-
Saturday 4 May: Mapledown Chapel.

Cuddesdon Hall

Amsto Fort.

Saturday 1st June: Restalrig
Craigatons
Masonville

Saturday 6th July: Newhailes
Brenstone

21 Rutland Street.

30th October 1935

which time and place a meeting of the Council was held, Mr. C. E. S. Chambers, President, in the chair.

Sedent. The Chairman, Lord St. Vigean, Dr. Robert Linn, Messrs D. Robertson, Greathed, Forbes Gray, Kerr, Bory. Watson, and McRitchie (Hon. Sec).

Apologies Apologies for absence were intimated from Messrs. Skinner and Jamieson.

Minute. The minute of meeting of Council held on 24th April, 1935, was read and approved.

Roll Several deaths and resignations were intimated, & the vacancies filled up: —

Deaths: William Robertson, 2 Alliot Crescent.

William McVey, Portobello.

James J. Gibson, Mildura, Victoria.

John Muir, M.A., 107 Corstorphine Road.

Andrew Bayendine, 10 McHaren Road

William Hannah, 27 Bellevue Place.

Robert Kilpatrick, 13 Rothiesay Place.

Resignations: David Ballingall, 22 St. Andrew Rd.
Chas. Mitchell, C.S., 2 Randolph Cres.

Resignations, cont^d: Mr. Vogt, S. Margaret, Strathclyde Rd

Removals It was reported that three members had failed
from Roll up to this date to pay the subscription for
the year 1935. It was agreed that their names
should be removed from the roll, and the following
elected to the vacant places: viz -

Mr. Annie C. Burt, 40 Murrayfield Avenue

Dr. J. Campbell Jamieson, 27 Fairfield Road, Inverness

Professor D. Talbot Rice, 2 Moray Place.

Vol. XXI, Mr. Forbes Gray reported on behalf of the Editorial
index Committee that good progress was being made with
the compilation of the General Index to the first
20 volumes, which is to form Vol. XXI of the Club's
publications.

Lecture: The Secretary intimated that Mr. John Geddie would
Mr Geddie deliver a lecture on 28th November, 1935, and that
the subject would be "70 Years Since,"
being recollections of Edinburgh in the Victorian
era.

National A communication was read from the National Trust
Trust: for Scotland, Ltd., intimating that the Trust pro-
posed to set up a Committee for the special purpose
of dealing with matters relating to Old Edinburgh.

with a view to the ^{preservation} ~~promotion~~ of any existing buildings possessing architectural features or historical associations. It was proposed that the Committee should consist of representatives from the various bodies interested in Old Edinburgh, of which the Old Edinburgh Club was one, and the Club was invited to nominate a representative to act on the said Committee. Lord St. Vigleaus was accordingly appointed, and it was remitted to him to consider the draft of the proposed constitution of the said Committee, which had been submitted along with the letter from the National Trust, and to communicate with the Secretary after he had perused the proposed draft constitution.

Office Bearers It was resolved to place the names of the following for 1936. gentlemen before the Annual Meeting for election to fill the vacancies in the list of Office Bearers: viz: Hon. Vice-President, The Right Honourable The Lord Provost.

Hon. Secretary. The Rev. Will Burnett, B.D.

Hon. Treasurer. Mr. Henry Lessels, C.A.

Hon. Auditor. W. W. Glassford Walker.

with the following as Members of Council in

place of those, who retire on the completion of their period of office: viz - Messrs. William Angus, Archibald B. Campbell, M.S., Henry W. Meikle, M.A., D.Sc., & George D. Stewart.

See Minute of Meeting. 2.2.36.

Mr. Chambers died before having
an opportunity to sign this minute. W.B.

Chairman.

Annual Meeting

^{Twenty Eighth}
The Annual Meeting of the Club was held in the Old Council Chamber on Thursday, 30th January, 1936, at 4 o'clock afternoon.

Sir Robert Gordon Gilman, of Liberton & Craigmiles, Bart., occupied the Chair.

Apologies for absence were intimated from the Right Honourable the Lord Provost, the Earl of Cassilis, Sir Thomas Wilson, Kt.D., & Alex. Darling Esq. Kt.D.

On the motion of the Honourable Lord St. Vigean, seconded by Mr. C. & S. Chambers, the Annual Report & Balance Sheet, as in the print issued to members, were adopted.

REPORT

The Council beg to submit the Twenty-eighth Annual Report.

During the year ended 31st December 1935 there were twenty-two vacancies in the membership. These have been filled up, and there still remain four names on the list of applicants for admission. Losses by death or resignation have been unusually heavy, but there is still a waiting list. Compared with similar organisations, the Club in this respect is particularly fortunate. At the same time, it will be noted that the reserve has shrunk to small dimensions, and therefore an earnest appeal is made for new members. Names and addresses should be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary.

The activities of the Club have been carried on with unabated energy, and the wide and intelligent interest displayed has been encouraging. The visible emblems of Old Edinburgh are disappearing with alarming rapidity, but, happily, it is still possible to make acquaintance with its resplendent past by means of original and authentic records, the publication of which is the primary function of the Club.

The usual programme of lectures and excursions was carried through. The various meetings were largely attended and much appreciated. The lectures were held in the Goold Hall. The first for the season was given on 16th October by Mr. Charles B. Boog Watson, F.R.S.E. His subject was 'Some Notes Anent Old Edinburgh,' which was illustrated by lantern slides, these including several little-known views and plans of the city. Another interesting lecture was that of Mr. John Geddie, who, on 28th November, recalled memories of Edinburgh over a period of seventy years.

The three excursions were most instructive. On 4th May the Magdalen Chapel, the Candlemakers' Hall, and the remains of the Flodden Wall at Bristo Port were inspected under the leadership of Mr. John Smith. Then, on 1st June, Restalrig Church and Craigen-tinny House were re-visited after an interval of nearly twenty years. The company were under the guidance of the Rev. William Burnett, B.D., the former minister of Restalrig. Later in the afternoon members were shown over the old mansion of Marionville by Monsignor Miley. The final excursion took place on 6th July, the objective being New Hailes and Brunstane, the former a comparatively modern structure but rich in legal and literary memories, the latter of great historic interest, having been known as Gilberton so early as the reign of William the Lyon. Mr. W. Forbes Gray, F.R.S.E., was leader at New Hailes, while Mr. John Russell and Mr. Stanley Cursitor, A.R.S.A., were the guides at Brunstane.

BOOK OF THE CLUB

In April Volume XX. was issued to members. With its completion there has been a feeling that the time has come when a General Index to the whole contents of the *Book of the Old Edinburgh Club* would be of great advantage. The indexes already printed apply of course only to the contents of the volumes in which they appear.

Consequently those consulting our publications can never be quite certain that they have seen the whole of the information bearing upon the topic being investigated unless *all* the indexes are inspected, which involves a huge waste of time and energy. Such an unsatisfactory state of affairs would be obviated by a General Index, in which the extensive and varied stores of information contained in the twenty volumes would be rendered easily accessible. It has therefore been decided that Volume XXI. shall take the form of a General Index, the compilation of which has been undertaken by Mr. W. Forbes Gray, Editor of Publications. The work is already well advanced. It is hoped to issue the General Index volume towards the close of 1936 or early in 1937.

LORD BUTE AND OLD EDINBURGH

Though known to a few for a considerable time, it was only towards the close of December that public disclosure was made of the fact that the Marquess of Bute had purchased Acheson House, also the mansion in Leith in which Mary Queen of Scots is supposed to have rested on her return from France—a mansion occupied by a prominent figure of the Marian period, Andrew Lamb. The preservation and reconditioning of these buildings in the old form have been advocated more than once in the reports of the Club and at meetings held under its auspices. It is therefore extremely gratifying to learn that Lord Bute intends to have both memorials restored as far as possible to their original state, and preserved as typical examples of old Scots domestic architecture. Acheson House is again to become a private residence, and, by skilful adaptation, it is hoped to visualise to some extent the conditions under which the Acheson family occupied their Canongate mansion in the seventeenth century. The future of the Lamb house is as yet uncertain, but there can be no doubt that it will be handled in a manner consistent with its historic and architectural traditions. It is to be hoped that the movement for preservation and intelligent restoration, inaugurated by Lord Bute, will be carried further. Notable specimens of quaint domestic architecture surviving in our midst are lamentably few, and, unless action is taken in the near future, the majority of these are doomed. Indeed, the most picturesque of the Shoemakers' Lands in the Canongate is scheduled for demolition. This structure displays so many features of Scots craftsmanship in the days of Charles II. that every effort ought to be made to save it. And the same remark applies even more pertinently to the town mansion of Sir John Nisbet of Dirleton (lower down the Canongate), with its crow-stepped front, its double row of dormers, its finely corbelled projection, its turnpike stair, and its vaulted basement.

Old Edinburgh Club

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE HONORARY TREASURER

For the Year ended 31st December 1935.

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
I. Funds at close of last Account :—		I. Miscellaneous and Postages,	£19 12 4
In Bank on Deposit Receipt,	£140 0 0	II. Printing and Stationery,	5 12 8
Due to Treasurer,	8 13 6	III. Lecture Expenses,	12 8 6
	£131 6 6	IV. Volume Expenses,	211 18 6
II. Subscriptions :—		V. Funds at close of the Account :—	
For year 1935—		In Bank on Deposit Receipt,	£90 0 0
350 Members at 10s. 6d.,	£183 15 0	Cash in Hand,	4 6 3
Less—Paid in advance during 1934,	7 7 0		94 6 3
26 Libraries at 10s. 6d.,	£176 8 0		
	13 13 0		
	£190 1 0		
For year 1936—			
24 Members at 10s. 6d.,	12 12 0		
	202 13 0		
III. Volumes sold (13),	6 16 6		
IV. Interest on Deposit Receipts,	2 1 3		
V. Donation,	1 1 0		
	£343 18 3		

EDINBURGH, 7th January 1936.—I have examined the Accounts of the Honorary Treasurer of the Old Edinburgh Club for the year ended 31st December 1935, of which the foregoing is an Abstract, and have found them correctly stated and sufficiently vouched and instructed.

HENRY LESSELS, C.A., Hon. Auditor.

THOMAS B. WHITSON, C.A., Hon. Treasurer.

Deam of Mr. Forbes Gray submitted a tribute to the late
Hon. Secy. Honorary Secretary, Mr. Lewis A. MacRitchie,
18 Jan. 1935 which was adopted by the meeting, and the Int.
Honorary Secretary was instructed to send a
copy to his brother and sister, with an expression
of their deep sympathy.

This meeting desires to record its sense of the great
loss the Club has sustained in the death of the Hon. Secretary,
Mr Lewis A. MacRitchie. Among the office-bearers Mr Mac-
Ritchie's record was unique, inasmuch as he was the only one
who had held the same office continuously from the formation
of the Club until now. His services covered twenty-eight
years. During that long period Mr MacRitchie capably and
conscientiously discharged the duties of his office, and
those brought most in contact with him testify that he at all
times served the Club with single-minded devotion. Indeed
this was acknowledged publicly so far back as March 1927, when,
along with the late William Cowan, President of the Club, he
was entertained to dinner by the members. In addition to
his business capacity, shrewdness, and intimate knowledge of
Old Edinburgh, our late Secretary displayed traits which
endeared him to his colleagues, not least his modesty, his
kindly disposition, and his unfailing loyalty.

The following Office Bearers were elected: viz.

Hon. President: Sir Robert Gilmour

Hon. Vice-Pres.: The Lord Provost.

The Earl of Cassillis

John Goadie

Chairman

C. E. S. Chambers

Vice-Presidents

R. J. Skinner

Chas. B. Boag Watson

Sir Francis J. Grant.

Hon. Secretary

Rev. Wm Burneth

Hon. Treasurer

Henry Kessels

Editor of Publications

W. Forbes Gray

Hon Auditor

W. Glassford Walker

Members of Council

William Angus

Arch. B. Campbell

Henry W. Meikle

George D. Stewart.

Sir Thomas Wilson received the thanks of the Club for his valued services as Hon. Treasurer.

The retiring members of Council received thanks for their services during the past three years.

On the motion of W. C. E. S. Chambers thanks were accorded to the Chairman; & to the Town Council for the use of the room.

39 Melville Street.

25th Feb. 1936

which time and place a special meeting of the Council was held, Mr. C. E. S. Chambers, President, in the chair.

Sederunt The following were present, viz.: The Chairman, Messrs. W. Forbes Gray, William Angus, Robt. J. Skinner, Charles S. Bory Watson, W. Glasford Walker, Robert Thim, M.D., A. B. Campbell, Sir Joseph Dobie, ~~and~~ the Rev. Will Burnett, Hon. Sec. and Henry Lesells, Hon. Treas.

Apologies Apologies for absence were intimated from the following, viz.: Messrs. David Robertson, William Greenhill & G. D. Stewart.

Minutes The minutes of meeting of Council, 30th Oct. 1935, was read and approved.

Letter from Mr. McRitchie A letter was read from Mr. John McRitchie, 35 Seacroft Road, Edinburgh, thanking the club for the tribute paid at the Annual Meeting to his brother, the late Honorary Secretary.

National Trust The Council resumed consideration of the letter from the National Trust for Scotland, regarding the setting up of a Committee for the purpose of

dealing with matters relating to Old Edinburgh, to which Lord St. Vigean had been appointed as representative of the Old Edinburgh Club. The Secretary intimated that Lord Vigean had communicated to the late Mr. McKie that he had no observations to make on the proposed constitution, and that this had accordingly been forwarded to the National Trust with the intimation of Lord St. Vigean's appointment.

Roll of Members. The Secretary intimated that he had gone over the roll of members with the Treasurer, and that there were at that date fifteen vacancies caused by death and resignation. The names of thirteen applicants for membership were read over, and it was agreed to add their names to the roll, viz.:

W. J. Anderson,	24 Blantyre Terrace. 10.
Jan Armstrong,	63 Castle Street. 2.
Walter Dickson,	120 E. Claremont Street. 7.
Lord Nigel G. Douglas Hamilton,	3 Gloucester Place. 3.
William Hodgson Hardie,	1 Glenisla Gardens. 9.
William Jamieson	8 St. Peter's Buildings. 3.
Jan G. Lindsay. B.A.	81 Alva Street. 2.
Robert S. Lindsay. M.S.	16 Queen Street. 2.
K. J. Stirling	16 St. Mark Street. 1.

James Wardlaw.	14 St. John's Hill. 8.
R. H. Watson, M.D.	12 Elliot, Mac. Colinton. 11.
James Baker Wilson.	23 Dick Place. 9.
Mrs. Nancy Howie.	8 Middleby Street.

Hour of Meeting The members of Council present unanimously agreed that 5 p.m. was a suitable hour for meeting, and it was resolved to continue the same.

Excursions The Council considered places for excursions in the Summer. After a number of places had been mentioned the following suggestions were adopted, viz.:

Saturday, 2nd May. Hawthornside

" 6th June. Old houses scheduled.

" 4th July. Archers' Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Attest
 R. H. Watson
 Chairman

39 Melville Street

3rd April 1936

which time and place the Council met and was constituted, Sir Robert Gilman, Bart. of Craigman in the chair.

Death of the President The Secretary intimated that the meeting had been called owing to the sudden death of the President, Mr. C. E. S. Chambers, on the 22nd March, 1936, the day following that on which with other members he had visited Grange House.

Apologies The Secretary read letters of apology for absence and regret at the death of Mr. Chambers from the Right Honourable, the Lord Provost, and Messrs Borg Watson, Giddie, Greenhill & Richardson.

Tribute to Mr. Chambers The following tribute, which had been prepared by Mr. Forbes Gray, was read by him, the members standing.

"The Council desire to record their sense of the loss the Club has sustained in the death of the President, Mr. C. E. S. Chambers. Admitted to the Club in 1912, he was elected to the Council in 1928, and became President in 1929, succeeding the late Mr. William Cowan. He thus held the office for fully six years.

the duties of which he discharged with dignity and tact, courtesy and forbearance. As became the grandson of the author of "Traditions of Edinburgh" he did everything in his power to promote the interests of a Club charged with making known how rich and varied and haunting are the memories that cling to Scotland's Capital. Writing articles and making speeches were not congenial to Mr. Chambers, though Vol. VIII contains a short paper from his pen, entitled "Early golf at Brimfield and Leith". On the other hand his training as ^{an} Editor & Publisher enabled him to be of great service to the Editorial Committee. He knew a good manuscript when he saw one, and was insistent upon original and painstaking research, scientific treatment of the material collected, & proper attention to the literary form of the narrative. Furthermore he was most generous in affording access to the valuable material relating to the history of Edinburgh, which his grandfather, Robert Chambers, had collected. The late President will be remembered for the impulse he gave

is the study of the antiquities of Edinburgh." The Hon. Secy. was instructed to send an extract of this minute to Mrs. Chambers, with an expression of their deep sympathy with her and her family in their bereavement.

Minutes The minutes of meeting on 25th Feb. 1936 were read and approved.

Excursions & Visits Further consideration was given to the excursions proposed at last meeting. It was ultimately agreed that the following should be selected.

2nd May — The National & Signet Libraries

13th June — Liberton Tower and House.

4th July — Archers' Hall, etc.

Election of President The Council, in conformity with Article V of the Constitution of the Club, proceeded to the election of a President in succession to the late Mr. P. E. S. Chambers, and on the motion of Sir Francis J. Grant, Lord Lyon King of Arms, Mr. David Anderson, Lord St. Vigean, was elected unanimously & of common consent.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned to meet on 29th April.

Sederunt. The Chairman, Lord St. Vigean, Sir Francis J. Grant.
~~Chairman~~

Dr. Robert Hui, Dr. Meikle, Messrs. G. D. Stewart,
Kenneth Sanderson, William Angus, Mr. Forbes Gray,
Robt. J. Skinner, the Rev. Will Burnett, Hon Sec. and
Henry Lessels, Hon Treasurer.

David Anderson
Chairman.

39 Melville Street

29th April 1936

which time and place the Council met and was
constituted, the Hon. Lord M. Vigean, President, in the
Chair.

Order of Business. Messrs. R. J. Skinner, William Greenhill, William
Angus, Dr. Meikle, Dr. Hui, Sir Francis Grant with the
Chairman, the Rev. Will Burnett, Hon. Sec. & Mr. Henry
Lessels, Hon Treasurer.

The Minute of meeting 4th April, 1936 was read
and approved.

The following excursions were arranged for the
Summer months: viz:

2nd May: National & Liqueur Libraries:

Dr. Meikle & Dr. Malcolm

13th June: Liberton Tower & Liberton House:

Sir Robert Gilman & Mr. John Russell.

4th July: Archers' Hall & Sciences Hall House

Mr Colin Black & the Rev. Wm. Burnett.

The Hon. Recy. intimated the deaths & resignations, which had taken place since the last meeting of the Council, and a sufficient number was elected from the waiting list to fill the vacancies, and bring the membership up to 350. The Hon.

x Recy. received power to add to the roll the names of such as have been properly proposed on the form of application.

A vacancy having occurred through the death of the President & the election of Ross St. Vigean, a member of Council, as his successor, Mr. James Smith, 123 Willowbrae Road, was appointed to the Council.

A letter was read from Mr. David Robertson, LL.B., Town Clerk, suggesting that, in view of the interest and value of the lecture recently delivered by Mr. John Gennie, on his memories of Edinburgh for a period of 70 years, a volume of reminiscences by citizens, whose knowledge & experiences are worth recording.

The letter was passed over to the Editorial Committee for their consideration.
The following letter was submitted from Mr. Forbes Gray:

GRANGE HOUSE, ROYAL
EDINBURGH.

27th April, 1936

Dear Mr Burnett,

Old Edinburgh Club

Now that the completion of the General Index to the twenty volumes of our Publications is in sight, I feel that that work may well form a fitting termination to my editorial labours on behalf of the Club. Accordingly, I desire to tender my resignation of the office with which the Council honoured me twelve years ago. I have contemplated taking this step for more than a year, but refrained from intimating my resignation sooner in order that the Editorial Committee might have an opportunity of recommending a suitable successor. This, I believe, they are now in a position to

In taking farewell of what has been to me congenial, if at all times arduous and even harassing, service, I trust it may not appear egotistic if I indulge a reminiscient vein, and review briefly my twenty years of active service for the Club.

My interest in Old Edinburgh goes back ^a long way. My first copy of Chambers's Traditions is dated 1895. From that time onwards I have been constantly adding to my knowledge of the history of this grand old city of ours. I joined the Club in the second year of its existence, but it was not till 1915 that I began to take an active interest in its affairs. In the summer of that year the late Dr Moir Bryce, who was then President, called at my house, explained that a visit to Grange House was being arranged, and asked me to give some account of the literary associations of the mansion, which I did with fear and trembling, never having done anything of the kind before. In 1916 I was elected a member of Council, and in 1923 I had the great privilege of succeeding the late Mr William Cowan, as Convener of the Editorial Committee.

I think it rather a remarkable fact that during the twenty-eight years the Club has existed there have been only two editors of its publications. Mr Cowan (whom I regard as by far the ablest and most scholarly authority on Old Edinburgh our Club has ever had) was responsible for the first twelve volumes, and I for the remaining nine, including the General Index, which, I may say in passing, has been a tremendous job, though well worth doing. In addition to my editorial work, I have contributed nine articles covering 324 pages. And if to that be added six lectures, the preparation of notes for eleven excursions, likewise the writing of the annual reports and of the notices of our proceedings for the Press, I think it will be admitted that my retirement is well-earned.

While deeply conscious of many shortcomings, I can honestly say that my constant endeavour has been to promote the best interests of the Club, and in particular to maintain the high standard of our volumes set by my revered friend and predecessor, Mr Cowan. Furthermore, if there has been at least an approximation to the ideal, I should like to add that it would not have been possible had it not been for the valuable and loyal support given me at all times by my colleagues on the Editorial Committee.

In conclusion, I may say that while the responsibility will now rest in other hands, I hope still to be of service to the Club in an official capacity.

I am, dear Mr Burnett,

Yours sincerely

W. Forbes Gray

The Council expressed their regret at Mr. Forbes Gray's decision, and their sense of the signal services he had rendered to the Club: and the following minute was adopted, & the Hon. Secy. instructed to forward it to him.

The Council learn with very great regret that Mr. Forbes Gray desires to resign the office of Editor of Publications for the Club, a position which he has held with distinction for the past twelve years. Persuaded that this decision is irrevocable the Council agree to accept the resignation and to place on record their very high appreciation of Mr. Forbes Gray's services to the Club. The function of Editor is never an easy one, requiring wide knowledge, and great tact in dealing with the contributions of others. Those twelve years have shown Mr. Forbes Gray to be possessed of the qualities that make a successful & appreciated Editor. A large part of the value of such a Club as this lies in its "Books" and ours bear the sign manual of two noted Editors, Mr. Cowan & Mr. Forbes Gray. The latter has crowned his editorial work by the production of the Index to the Twenty volumes, that now form the Club's contribution to the history of our our romantic town. As Mr. Forbes Gray lays down his editorial pen, he can do so with the certainty that he has gained the appreciation of good judges, and that he carries with him the respect & good wishes of his fellow members in the Club, and on the

Council. It is in no cynical spirit that the Council remind Mr. Forbes Gray that gratitude has been defined as a lively sense of favours to come, and they look forward to having the benefit of his advice & assistance in the management of the Club's affairs.

The Council considered the appointment of a successor to Mr. Forbes Gray, & on the recommendation of the Editorial Committee Mr. Arthur Birnie, M.A., Lecturer in Economic History, University of Edinburgh, was appointed.

The next meeting was appointed to take place at a convenient date at the end of October.

David Anderson
Chairman.

Note The following were elected members since the date of the last election, 25th Feb. 1935, to 27th Oct. 1936
Arthur Birnie, M.A., 24 Craigmillar Park.
R. S. Chambers, 11 Thistle Street.
William Elliot, 23 Joppa Road, Joppa.
Miss H. B. Fleming, 30 Royal Circus
P. J. W. Kippatrick, Bridgend, Colinton
Miss Nina S. MacGregor, Medwyn House, West Linton.

James Wardlaw, 14 St. Johns St.

W.D.

39 Melville Street

27th October 1936

which place and date the Council met and was constituted, the Honorable Lord St. Vigean, President in the chair.

Sederunt. The following were present - Messrs. W. Forbes Gray, William Angus, ^{Sir} Francis J. Grant, Charles B. Ross, Watson, Robert J. Skinner, W. Glasford Walker, G. D. Stewart, James Smith, Arthur Birnie, David Robertson, William Greenhill, the Rev. Wm. Burnett, (Hon. Sec.), Henry Kessels (Hon. Treas.) The Chairman.

Apology. An apology for absence was received from D. R. Thim.

New Members. The Chairman welcomed two new members - Mr. James Smith, & Mr. Arthur Birnie, M.A., the newly appointed Editor of the Book of the Club.

Minutes. The minutes of meeting, 29th April, 1936 was read and approved.

Letter, Mr. The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Forbes Gray,

Forbes Gray acknowledging the Club's minute of appreciation of his services as Editor over a period of 13 years.

Vol. XXI The Secretary intimated that the new volume (XXI) issue and was ready for issue to members. He reported that the price. Editorial Committee recommended that additional

copies might be supplied, (a) to members at the cost of 2/6, and (b) to non-members at the cost of 2/- in addition to the membership fee, i.e. 3/6 in all. The Council agreed accordingly.

The Club's Set of vol's The Secretary reported that he had been in communication with the representatives of the late Mr. Lewis McRitchie regarding the volumes of the Book of the Club, retained as its property. The Secretary was instructed to receive the volumes & hold them for the Club.

Summer Outings The Secretary reported on the three outings made during the Summer, viz:

2nd May. The National & Leinster Libraries leaders: Dr. Meikle & Dr. Macleod.

13th June. Liberton Tower & Liberton House leaders: Sir Robert Gilman & W. John Russell.

4th July. Archers Hall & Sciences Hall House leaders: W. Colin Black M.A. & the Hon. Secy.

The Council resolved to unite its thanks to the leaders.

Winter Meetings The Secretary reported that he had arranged that the following meetings be held in the ensuing winter, viz: —

(1) A lecture on the "Charity" Workhouse, 1740-1845.
by Mr. Arthur Birnie, M.A.

(2) A lecture on "Edinburgh in Provost Drummond's
Time" by Mr. Forbes Gray.

Reception by He also reported that he had met the Lord Provost,
the Lord Provost. regarding some form of meeting between the
Club and the Corporation, its patrons: and that he
had received official word from the Lord Provost's Com-
mittee that a reception would be offered to the members
on a date to be determined, & naming a committee.
The Council expressed their pleasure at the invitation,
and appointed the following to meet the Corporation's
Committee, viz: The Chairman, Sir Francis Grant &
the Secretary. A suggestion was made that the date
might be that of the Annual Meeting.

It was left to the Secretary to fix the next meeting,
(14th Jan. 1937) of the Council, and the probable date
of the Annual Meeting (28th Jan. 1937).

David Anderson

Chairman.

Note

The Minutes of the O.S.C. as recorded in this book
close at December 1936: and are continued in
another volume.

Wise Burnett
Hon. Sec.

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